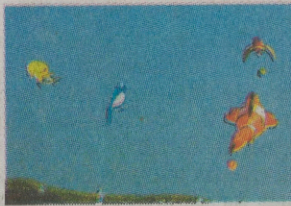




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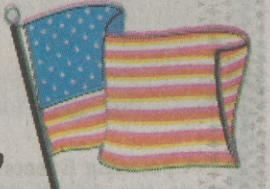


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## After 31 years, Begonis comes upon his last days

► WPD Chief Michael Begonis.  
(photo: BruceHilliard.com)

By HEATHER BURNS  
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — On April 5, 2019, Wilmington Police Chief Michael Begonis will retire after 31 years of dedicated service.

Begonis is a Wilmington native who joined the police department in 1988. Starting off as a patrol officer, he then worked as a detective until 1998 when he was promoted to sergeant. In 2001 he moved up to the rank of lieutenant.

After leading the department's Investigative and Spe-

cial Services Bureau, he was promoted to deputy chief in 2004, and was named chief of police a year later in 2005.

Chief Begonis had originally planned to retire in January of 2018, but decided to stay on and help the community address a number of issues, such as mental health issues and the opioid crisis that has affected many Massachusetts communities, including the Town of Wilmington. Begonis has championed the department's substance abuse coordinator position, and improved the department's in-

volvement and handling of addiction and substance abuse situations within the community.

Although Begonis will be retiring from a rewarding career on the Wilmington Police Department, he will be embarking on a new career in the private sector doing work similar to the Northeastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council emergency response.

During the town's last Board of Selectmen meeting, Chief Begonis was praised for his many years of service by the Board and Town Manager

Jeffrey Hull.

The Board of Selectmen hope to name a replacement for Begonis by this summer. Until then, Hull has named Lt. Joseph Desmond, a 31-year veteran of the department, as interim acting chief until a permanent replacement is found.



## Town to attempt to protect individuals from public discussion

By LIZZIE MCDERMOTT  
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — At a Board of Selectmen meeting on March 25, Town Manager Jeffrey Hull outlined some changes to the meeting structure that provided more fodder for debate than may have been anticipated.

According to Hull, the recommendation is that members should make the Town Manager or board chairman aware of issues they would like to have on the agenda prior to the meeting. Substantive matters that require extensive discussion or a vote should not be taken up under new business. The announcements portion of the meeting would thus include information about community meetings, general information, or recognition of individuals and groups.

Selectman Michael McCoy stated that he was not in agreement with this proposition.

"Majority rules. If somebody

wants to make a motion for an upcoming meeting, I think they have the right to do that, and the rest of the board can either vote yea or nay, and then we move on," said McCoy.

Hull answered that the proposition comes, at least in part, due to concerns regarding discussion of specific individuals at meetings. Zoning Board of Appeals Chair Daniel Veerman was noted as an individual who has been brought up during new business in the past.

"I think any member who serves on a volunteer board, or anybody for that matter, should have the opportunity, if there's going to be questions raised about their integrity... to be present and defend themselves," said Hull.

Selectman Greg Bendel added that board members would still, with Hull's recommendations, have two different opportunities to bring matters forward. He also



▲ Downtown Andover rendering

(Courtesy photo)

Wilmington company

## Transforming 27 Main St. in downtown Andover

ANDOVER — Toddlers and teenagers arriving for art classes on the lower level ... couples heading to the main level for a European-style dinner of steak and fish ... home buyers excitedly going upstairs to meet with their

attorneys to close on their new homes ... This diverse range of people will be coming soon to 27 Main St. in downtown Andover, a building that is being transformed and will open in late spring. Formerly the Draper Block,

the building was purchased several years ago from TD Bank by Paul Kneeland and Tom Belhumeur, principals of Touchdown LLC. As project developers, they engaged Channel Building Company of Wilmington for design and

construction of the 31,000 square feet of mixed-use commercial space on three levels.

"This is a major development and improvement to

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## District vets candidates for Woburn Street principal

By LIZZIE MCDERMOTT  
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — Following the recent announcement of the selection of a new Middle School principal, the selection process for a new principal at the Woburn Street School continues.

At this time, according to Superintendent Glenn Brand, the three finalists are current principal at the Englesby School in Dracut Laurie Fahy, current director of the Wildwood Early Childhood

Center Charlotte King, and current principal at the Parker Elementary School in Billerica Suzanne Sullivan.

Note that this is not the same Suzanne Sullivan who is currently running for the Wilmington Board of Selectmen.

Last week, central office staff from the school district hosted two out of the three finalists for the position. At that time, the district hosted forums for members of the community to meet the candidates. According to Brand, 10 people attended these forums, about half of whom were staff and parents. The forums were filmed by WCTV.

Brand added that the official decision would be coming soon.

"So the process continues, and it would be my hope that if all goes well we'll be at a point of making an announcement toward the end of next week at the latest," Brand said.

## Olin site added to EPA's list for immediate intense action

WILMINGTON — This week, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced significant accomplishments at two Superfund sites on the Administrator's Emphasis List of Superfund Sites Targeted for Immediate, Intense Action (Administrator's Emphasis List).

After achieving critical short-term milestones, the Madison County Anschutz Mine, Fredericktown, Missouri and Tar Creek, Ottawa County, Oklahoma were removed from the list. One site — Olin Chemical, Wilmington — was added to facilitate cleanup and redevelopment activities.

With this update, there are a total of 15 Superfund sites on the list, and a total of 13 sites have been removed from the Administrator's Emphasis List since December 2017 be-

cause the short-term milestones were achieved.

"Removing Madison County Anschutz Mine and Tar Creek from the Administrator's Emphasis List and adding Olin Chemical demonstrate EPA's continued progress in accelerating cleanup activities that protect human health and the environment while revitalizing local communities," said EPA Administrator Andrew Wheeler. "The cleanups at these sites further the commitment EPA made in the federal Lead Action Plan to address lead contamination at Superfund sites and reduce exposure to residents."

The Madison County Anschutz Mine was placed on the Administrator's Emphasis List to promote the timely implementation of a prop-

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**Town of Wilmington**  
**Board of Health**  
121 Glen Road  
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**Wilmington Annual Rabies Clinic**

The Wilmington Board of Health Annual Rabies Clinic will be held on  
**Saturday, April 6th, 2019**  
**12 Noon to 2 p.m.**  
at the  
**Public Buildings Department, 30 Church Street**  
(formerly the Fire Station). Wilmington residents only.  
Dogs must be on a leash and cats in a carrier.  
Cost: \$10.00 per animal.

**For your convenience**  
The Town Clerk's Office will be available at the Rabies Clinic to process your 2019 Dog License if you have not already done so.  
Cost: \$10.00 spayed/neutered, \$15.00 non-spayed/non-neutered.  
Remember, there is a late fee added after April 15, 2019.





## Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

### How to Identify Mushrooms on Tuesday, April 9

**Upcoming Events**  
Registration begins 30 days prior to the event. Please register online using our Calendar of Events at [www.wilmli.org](http://www.wilmli.org) or by calling (978) 694-2099 (for Adult) or (978) 694-2098 (for Youth). Please note we request registration for programs that are marked \*RR. Adult programs are recommended for those 16 years of age and older.

**Networkers — Networking while Breakfasting! \*RR**  
Monday, April 8 at 10 a.m.  
Meet and network with fellow job seekers while enjoying a light breakfast. You will have the opportunity practice your elevator speech, ask questions

of the group, and learn from each other. A few fun activities will round out the morning.

**Gmail \*RR**  
Tuesday, April 9 at 10 a.m.  
Is the number of unread e-mails in your Gmail inbox always growing? Having trouble locating important messages or creating contacts? Join us for an overview of this popular email service and learn tips for easier inbox navigation and organization.

**How to Identify Mushrooms \*RR**  
Tuesday, April 9 at 7 p.m.  
Join Gary Gilbert, an architect who has been studying mushrooms since the 1970s, for an informative lecture on

everyone's favorite fungi. He will discuss how mushrooms function in the ecosystem, their identifying features, and a brief tour of some common genera and species we see in our area. Gary is a member of the Boston Mycological Society, The Pequot Sound Mycological Society, and the North American Mycological Society.

**Wetland Resource Areas and Conservation Land in Wilmington: What Does It All Mean? \*RR**  
Wednesday, April 10 at 7 p.m.  
Town Conservation Agent Ryan Hale will provide an overview of the Town's wetland resource areas and conservation land. The second half of the

talk will focus on conservation land — Town-owned parcels that are set aside and managed by the Wilmington Conservation Commission. Ryan will discuss the many opportunities for passive outdoor recreation on conservation land, including trails for hiking, biking, and snowshoeing, and fishing in streams and lakes where MassDEP stocks rainbow trout. Ryan will also talk about the educational and volunteer opportunities available.

**Coffee with a Cop**  
Wednesday, April 17 at 10 a.m.  
Drop in, grab a tea or coffee, and chat with a police officer. Learn about the rights of the public as well as the roles and responsibilities of police and community in a relaxed and open setting. All questions welcome.

**Current Affairs Discussion Group \*RR**  
Wednesday, April 17  
This group is for all who would like to broaden their knowledge of current national and international affairs. You will have the opportunity to discuss topical events and learn from others. Led by facil-

itator Dan Hall.

**Kids & Teen Events**  
**Kids Kraft: Kaleidoscopes \*RR**  
Saturday, April 6 at 2 p.m.  
Make a fun and interesting design to release your creativity! This craft is led by 3 Wilmington High School students. Grades 1-5

**Minecraft Mondays \*RR**  
Monday, April 8 at 3:45 p.m.  
Come play Minecraft with other enthusiasts. Grades 1-5.

**Cultures & Communities: Easter Eggs \*RR**  
Monday, April 8 at 2:30 p.m.  
Compare and contrast traditions surrounding Easter eggs in France, Italy, and Spanish-speaking countries. Dye and paint egg shells, and make confetti-filled cascarones! Grades 9-12

**Art Adventures: Mexican Cacti \*RR**  
Tuesday, April 9 at 3:45 p.m.  
Create your own masterpiece! Grades 1-5

**Star Mag**  
Wednesday, April 10 at 3:45 p.m.

Calling all kid writers and artists! Drop in to help create this magazine written by, for and about kids, and published by the library. Grades 3-6

**Mini Monets \*RR**  
Thursday, April 11 at 10 a.m.  
Children learn to express their creativity, practice fine motor skills, and experiment through art. Join us as we discover our inner artists through creative play! Ages 18 months-2

**Drop-In Baby Times**  
Saturday, April 13 at 9:30 a.m.  
Babies and their caregivers will enjoy this fun storytime that includes rhymes, songs, books, scarves, shakers, bubbles and more. Infants through 24 months

**Story Walk Grand Opening**  
Saturday, April 13 at 3 p.m.  
Join us at Rotary Park to see the new Story Walk around the pond. Book pages from the book *In the Small, Small Pond* by Denise Fleming will be displayed around the pond. Walk with your family to get exercise and read a book at the same time! Snacks will be served.



### Bowling Tournament Champions

The Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli Lodge of Wilmington sent four teams to the Bowling Tournament sponsored by the Grand Lodge of the Order Sons of Italy in America. The event was held Sunday, March 31 at The Woburn Bowladrome. The Wilmington Lodge emerged victorious in both the Men's and Women's Divisions. Congratulations to (at left) Ron Aprile, Chris Appiani, Glen Picone, and Kevin Caira and (at right) Cheryl Caira, Lynne Martell, Rosanna Baack, and Michele Caira Nortonen.



## Caira, candidate for reelection to Board of Selectmen

WILMINGTON — Kevin Caira is a candidate for reelection to the Board of Selectmen. Caira, who currently serves as Chairman of the Board, was first elected in 2016. Caira stressed that he believes he has been a positive influence on the direction of the town.

"My goal is to ensure that Wilmington continues to grow responsibly, that we maintain its affordability and that the town adequately provides programs and services for all of our residents."

Caira served the town as vice chairman of both the Yentile Farm Recreational Development Committee and the Nine Cross Street Fundraising Committee. This 20 acre park, the largest and most comprehensive recreational facility in Wilmington, provides both active and passive recreational opportunities for all ages, and includes 10 acres of open space.

Recently, the town received two major awards in recognition of the development and construction of this unique facility: the Silver Award in Engineering Excellence presented by the American Council of Engineering Companies of Massachusetts and the 2019 Massachusetts Rec-

reational and Park Association Design of Facility Award.

In addition, during his term as a selectman, Caira served on the Tax Increment Finance Committee, which resulted in Wilmington's largest employer, Analog Devices, investing nearly \$143 million in new construction and employing an additional 600 individuals to its Wilmington facility, which now serves as its global headquarters.

Caira is a founding member and vice chairman of the Wildcat Athletic Alumni and Friends Association, which raises funds for Wilmington High School student athletes and athletic programs. He coached Wilmington Little League and Senior League baseball and served as a basketball coach for the Wilmington Recreation Department, where with the department, he initiated a new basketball program for high school juniors and seniors.

Caira is a longtime supporter of the Wilmington Band Parents programs, a member of the Wilmington Knights of Columbus, and a member and former President of the Wilmington Sons of Italy, where he spearheaded numerous programs and

fundraising drives in support of many important town initiatives.

His organizational and leadership skills resulted in his election to many prominent positions in the Sons of Italy including State President, National Vice President and currently National President of the Commission for Social Justice. He was instrumental in securing a grant for Wilmington High School to re-establish the Italian language program.

Caira has been the Retirement Administrator for the City of Amesbury since 2012. Prior to assuming his current position, he worked 21 years as an administrator for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts State Retirement System.

"I know what it takes to forge consensus among people of diverse viewpoints. If re-elected to the Board of Selectmen, I will continue to conduct myself both in public and private as I have all my life, civil in tone, respectful of others and tolerant of a wide variety of opinion. I will continue to be a strong independent voice on the Board of Selectmen. Residents can be assured that every decision I make will be what I

believe is in the best interest of the Town of Wilmington."

Caira, who grew up on Chestnut Street, is a 1980 graduate of Wilmington High School and furthered his education at Boston State College. He and his wife Cheryl (Lumb) and their two children, Amy and David, live on Woburn Street.

He is the son of Laura and the late Aldo Caira, who served the town as a Selectman and as a member of the School Committee. His brother Michael retired in 2012 as Wilmington's longest serving Town Manager.

"I believe that each one of us has an obligation to help our community. I am honored and privileged to be given that opportunity to serve Wilmington as a member of the Board of Selectmen, and I encourage residents to reach out to me with their questions or concerns via my phone number (978-657-7734) or email address ([kevincaira57@gmail.com](mailto:kevincaira57@gmail.com)). Additionally, I invite residents to meet with me and enjoy light refreshments on Sunday, April 7, 2019 from 2 p.m. - 5 p.m. at the Wilmington Friendship Lodge, 32 Church St."

## News and notes from WCTV

By SHAUN NEVILLE  
WCTV Executive Director

Looking to learn more about who's on the ballot for this April's town election? WCTV's "Candidate Conversations" series is now playing on television and available online at [wctv.org](http://wctv.org).

All 12 candidates running for Selectmen and School Committee were invited to participate in the 5-10 minute interviews at our studio. Town Moderator Rob Peterson and I hosted the segments, which serve as an introduction to the candidates: why they're run-

ning, their background in town and what sort of experience they bring to the table.

The interviews should serve as a good appetizer for Candidates Night, which is coming up on Tuesday.

The forum and debates are open to the public and will be held at Wilmington High School. Candidates Night will air live on WCTV: Comcast 9/Verizon 37. You'll also be able to stream the event at [wctv.org/live](http://wctv.org/live) or through the WCTV App. The School Committee forum will be at 6 p.m., followed by the special selectmen race debate at 6:45 p.m. The debate

featuring the main selectmen race will be at 8PM. Election day is Saturday, April 27.

**New Programs:**  
• **Candidate Conversations**  
• **Spring Sports Interviews:** The Wildcat captains talk about their upcoming seasons.  
• **Behavioral Health Fair:** Watch the keynote address on vaping.  
• **Woburn Street School Principal Finalists:** Each were invited to speak with parents about their qualifications.  
• **WCTV Annual Meeting and Golden Apple Awards**

• **Book Stew:** Artist Jane Keddy returns to the program to share her new graphic memoir.

**Upcoming Live:** All live programs air on Comcast 9/Verizon 37 unless there are simultaneous live events.

• Monday, April 8 - 7 p.m.: Board of Selectmen  
• Tuesday, April 9 - 6 p.m.: School Committee Forum  
• Tuesday, April 9 - 6:45 p.m.: Selectmen Debate (1 Year Term)  
• Tuesday, April 9 - 8 p.m.: Selectmen Debate (3 Year Term)  
• Wednesday, April 10 - 7 p.m.: School Committee

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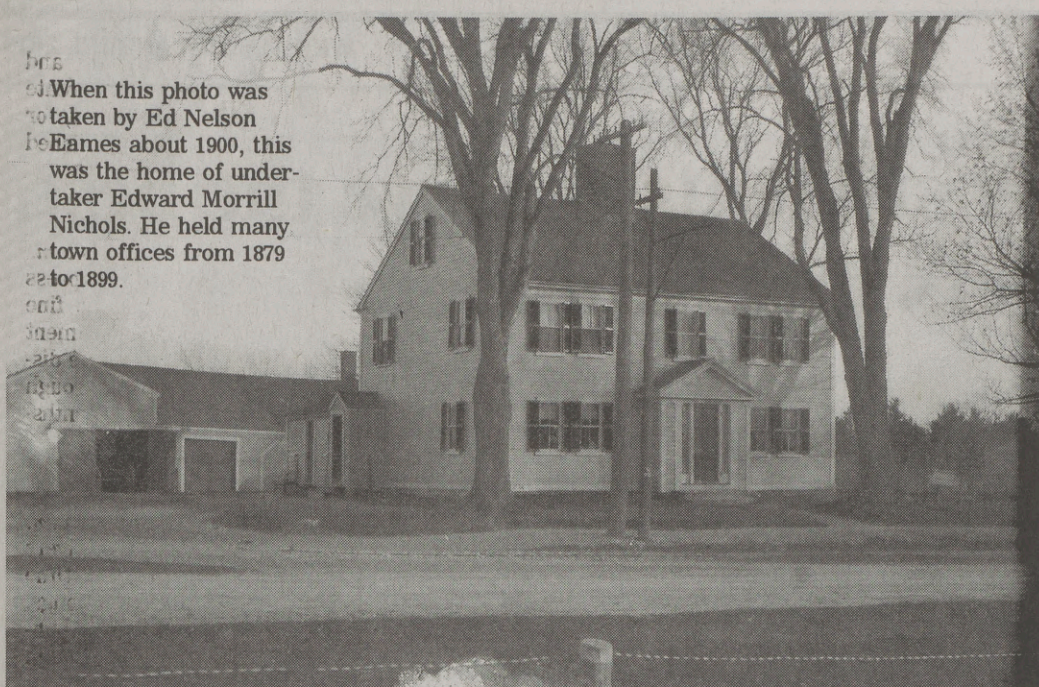
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When this photo was taken by Ed Nelson Eames about 1900, this was the home of undertaker Edward Morrill Nichols. He held many town offices from 1879 to 1899.

History:

## Wilmington's revolution of 1899

By LARZ F. NEILSON

You won't find the revolution of 1899 in the history books, unless you look through old Wilmington town reports. But there was an abrupt change in the town hall that year.

An article that appeared in the *Boston Globe* on March 7, 1899, offers an explanation. While the article does address the underlying problem, it focused on the mood of the townspeople. The headline read, "Wilmington in gloom. Sp. head: Community grieved over accusations of the town auditors against Edward M. Nichols, a prominent citizen."

Nichols was an undertaker and insurance agent. He had been a town official for 20 years, having stepped in after the 1879 death of his father, Samuel B. Nichols. He held about 10 positions in town government, including selectman and town clerk. The selectman's position paid him \$150 a year. He also received \$30 as town clerk. His roots in town went back to Colonial times.

In 1879, he was named as the sealer of weights and measures. He was paid four dollars for police service, \$10 for care of the Town Hall, \$15 for care of the cemetery and five dollars for ringing the bell for town meetings. He received 97 cents for writing paper, matches and a broom, 15 cents for express paid on books and 25 cents for repairing a window in the Town Hall.

He was also paid \$4.75 for "returning deaths to the town clerk," a reporting function of the undertaker. The town clerk would be paid for "returning" the vital statistics reports to

the state.

In 1888, the town built a high school, later known as the Center School. Nichols was paid \$120 for insurance on the new school. He was also listed as town clerk, field driver, public weigher, sealer of weights and measures, undertaker, tax collector, and a member of the Common Committee and the School Building Committee.

In 1892, he was elected to the Board of Selectmen and also held 11 other positions, town clerk, tax collector, keeper of lockup, fence viewer, pound keeper, public weigher, sealer of weights and measures, undertaker, cemetery committee and library trustee.

Town reports from the 1890s show that the town paid Nichols for insurance policies on town buildings. The payments were not annual, probably written in multi-year policies. The *Globe* article reported that the town auditor had found that he had failed to issue a policy on one schoolhouse. It is not clear exactly what happened, but the South School on Butters Row burned. A new school was built a few years later on Chestnut Street. That building is still standing, though it has not been used as a schoolhouse for nearly a century.

Auditor George Perry printed and distributed a circular on the insurance matter. He also included a paragraph advising townspeople that they may want to ask about other matters such as dog licenses, cemetery accounts, the published books of births, marriages and death, notes payable, and appropriations.

At the town meeting on March 6, 1899, though, the auditor said that the last paragraph had no

reference to Mr. Nichols. His accounts were correct, the auditor said. The only issues they had with him was the insurance policy and a question of a signature authorizing payment.

The auditor said he regretted calling attention to the other matters, but he was duty-bound to do so. They had nothing to do with Mr. Nichols.

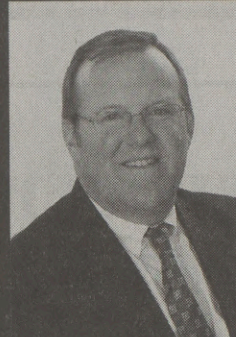
The matter of the signature was brought up by William E. Gowing, who served on the Board of Selectmen with Mr. Nichols. He said the signature on the order was not his. Mr. Nichols denied any forgery. At the end of town meeting business, an attempt was made to bring the matter before the voters. Moderator Chester Clark would not allow it.

The *Globe* article said that Mr. Nichols has the sympathy of his fellow citizens, who believed that he may have made an error but they could not be made to believe that he committed a crime.

That was the end of Mr. Nichols' service as a town official. In the election of March 6, 1899, he received 36 votes, placing fifth in a field of six candidates running for three seats. Charles Sargent received 128, William Gowing 122 and James Kelley 115. He also lost the town's insurance business. In subsequent town reports, he received minimal attention, only listed as undertaker.

The funeral home carried on, run for nearly a half century by his son Guy E. Nichols, who was also a doctor. He sold it to Willis Lyford in 1959, saying that in too many instances, the deceased was a long-time friend.

Edward M. Nichols died in 1933.



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## Annual 10th grade US History Fair

WILMINGTON — On Tuesday, April 9, Wilmington High School will hold its annual 10th Grade US History Fair. All students taking 9th grade U.S. History have been working on a three part differentiated instruction project since January.

In the first step of the project, students learned about the reliability of using Internet sources for historical research. They completed historical research reflection and narrowed down a

list of valid sources to create an annotated bibliography.

After completing their research, students demonstrated their newfound knowledge in a final product (i.e. constructed project, short film, piece of literature, or a student suggested product approved by the teacher). Each 9th grade U.S. History class chose two projects to be showcased at the history fair.

Prizes will be awarded in the following categories: 1st

place (overall), 2nd place (overall), 3rd place (overall), Best Use of Primary Sources, Most Original, Most Knowledgeable Presenter and Student Favorite. There are two portions of the fair.

Judging and student viewing will take place in the library during W2(10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.). At 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 9 there will also be an evening reception for parents and the community in our library at which time awards will be presented.

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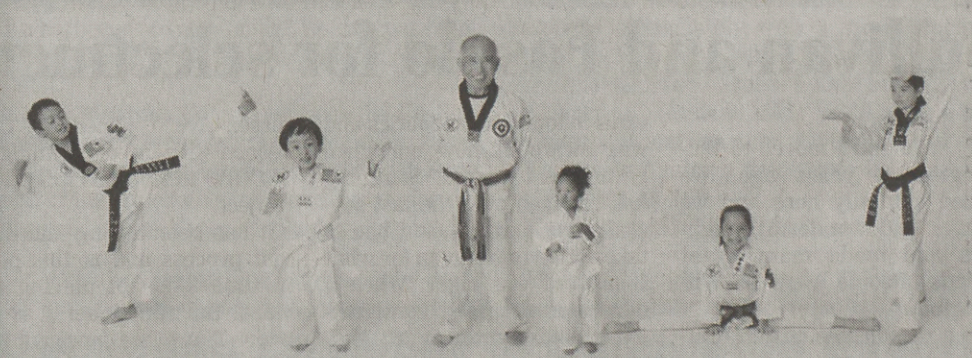
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### Is it time for a change in Wilmington town gov't?

To the editor,  
The upcoming selectman's election on Saturday April 27 may be the most critical election in the history of our town. With three seats on the line the outcome of this election will determine the future direction of Wilmington.

The choice is simple. If you like the direction the town is heading then vote for the incumbents. That will perpetuate the status quo. If you are dissatisfied with the direction the town has taken, meaningful change must begin with a change in leadership.

After considering the track records and qualifications of all of the contenders, I enthusiastically support the candidacies of Suzanne Sullivan and Rob Fasulo. While both of these people are quite different in some respects. However, their track records demonstrate courage and integrity. They are involved in local government and can be seen at the various town board meetings year round.

Both Suzanne and Rob have walked the walk as citizen activists and fierce defenders of the wellbeing of the residents of Wilmington. These two candidates see the critical importance of our town needing to adopt a policy of responsible growth.

Suzanne Sullivan has a wealth of experience and a record of solid leadership in the Town of Wilmington. She was a member of the Wilmington Board of Selectmen and knows the workings of government inside and

out. Her efforts to help the residents of Wilmington include volunteering to serve on multiple town committees, citizen neighborhood groups, charitable causes and as a youth soccer coach.

Last but not least, Suzan is an environmentalist and passionate protector of Mother Nature. She put the spotlight on the Olin Chemical spill. While many in Wilmington believe that crisis is over and done, Suzanne knows the problem is worsening every day. She does her level-best to keep this catastrophe on the front burner and on the minds of residents, elected and appointed officials.

Rob Fasulo is a family man and lifelong resident of Wilmington. As such he deeply cares for his home town and its future. Like Suzanne, Rob is an environmental advocate. As a beekeeper he is well aware of the delicate balance of nature and the fragility of the environment. He is a fiscal conservative. In my opinion this is a great attribute.

Rob will provide a much needed balance to the board with his conservative views. Doubtless this will provoke many spirited discussions on taxation and spending ensuring a well thought-out decision making process.

In closing I respectfully ask you to consider casting your votes for Rob Fasulo and Suzanne Sullivan on Saturday April 27.

Gerry Bruno

### Caira, Bendel support education, veterans' affairs

Dear editor and Wilmington residents,

I am writing to express my sincere and heartfelt endorsement and support of Greg Bendel and Kevin Caira for the Board of Selectmen. Both have demonstrated their commitment to supporting education, veterans' affairs, elderly services, combating the opioid crisis, infrastructure improvements, and public safety. They are thoughtful leaders and deeply committed to public service.

Selectmen Bendel and Caira have worked tirelessly for the residents of Wilmington as elected members of The Board of Selectmen. Their commitment to our town has been evidenced in many ways. They were strong advocates for funding Wilmington's full-time Health and Recovery Coordinator.

As an educator, parent and voter, I am struck by their ability to address this epidemic with a myriad of solutions, compassion and care. Additionally, they have advocated for funding for our schools and have supported improvement projects

throughout our community.

Mr. Caira remains very active in Wilmington Alumni fundraising activities and I also had the distinct pleasure of working alongside Mr. Bendel during the Superintendent Screening Committee last winter. His knowledge as an educator and his dedication to the process served the committee well.

Selectmen Bendel and Caira's community volunteerism and public service are among the finest examples of any citizens I know. I am in awe of their ability to dedicate such tremendous time to their work on The Board of Selectmen while also maintaining such a strong presence at our community and school events.

I am committed to the continued progress of our town and grateful that Selectmen Bendel and Caira remain committed to their positions. Please join me in casting your vote on April 27 for Greg Bendel and Kevin Caira for The Board of Selectmen.

Very truly yours,  
Jennifer Bryson

### Sullivan and Fasulo for selectmen

To the editor,  
My wife and I moved to Wilmington 31 years ago. We raised a family here and we always had wonderful neighbors and made many great friends. People care in Wilmington.

As a responsible citizen, I al-

ways followed town politics and was aware of how our town government worked. Something has changed over the last several years and I knew I had to take action to stand up for what I believed was right. When a developer proposed constructing a detox center at 362 Mid-

## Tewksbury students deserve the best, let's give it to them

(Eds. note: the following is an op ed from local legislators regarding the proposed Tewksbury elementary school)

As your Representatives and Senator, we understand the importance of public education that your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and neighbors use everyday. Two of us (Senator Barry Finegold and Representative David Robertson) attended the North Street Elementary and Heath Brook Elementary school, and all three of us owe our success to public education.

Tewksbury now stands at a crossroads, and we believe that the choice is clear. An investment in a new school not only is a vast improvement to our children's future opportunities, but the financially wiser choice for our town.

As residents know, the Town of Tewksbury stands to replace the Trahan School and North Street schools with a new, consolidated fa-

cility serving grades 2, 3, and 4. Placed alongside the Ryan School, it creates a familiar environment and provides students with a steady place to learn during critical years.

Grades will be contained among themselves, but instead utilize larger, more efficient shared facilities like a cafeteria, gymnasium, and more. Currently, our standing elementary schools call for dire need of improvements to bring them in line with current building codes, with an estimated cost approximately of \$100 million. This is even before any additional improvements to classroom technology, expanded teaching space, or administrative offices, all of which are incorporated into the new, planned facility.

For this, we agree, the prudent choice of action would be for Tewksbury to construct a new facility. In addition to choosing the more fiscally prudent path, we would like

to remind the residents of decreased overhead with a new facility. While the planned school is far larger the removal of the center school and the consolidation of two elementary schools results in net savings for us, the taxpayers.

As your specialists in state policy, we would also like to inform the residents that letting an opportunity like this pass may result in less state support in future projects. While Tewksbury focused on eliminating overhead and consolidation, many towns and cities across Massachusetts have applied for a number of projects which all suffered from increased costs.

If Tewksbury was to currently reject construction of a new school, the town would be required to resubmit an application at a later date. With a capped fund for school projects, the Massachusetts School Building Authority will likely reimburse the town at a lower rate than

currently offered, and may even downsize or remove aspects of a future proposal that are now currently included.

Treasurer Goldberg and her board are looking at ways to contain costs, but we do not wish to see Tewksbury miss out by waiting until a future date.

We all know that a well educated populace is the goal of us. We have lived and worked in Tewksbury because it is a great community with plenty to offer, especially for our kids. By providing the students of tomorrow with a new facility offering new technology and learning opportunities, we are directly investing in the future. We hope that you join us in casting a yes for our tomorrow.

Sincerely,  
Senator Barry Finegold  
Representative  
David Robertson  
Representative  
Tram Nguyen

## Board of Selectmen should be a diverse group

To the editor,

I am writing this letter in endorsement of Suzanne Sullivan and Rob Fasulo for Town Selectmen. I am not a current or former elected official. I am an ordinary citizen like most of the residents of Wilmington, but on April 27 the vote of every resident counts equally.

The Board of Selectmen should be a diverse group where all sides of an issue are considered. If people on the board are too like-minded it can result in poor representation of all people in town.

Suzanne Sullivan and Rob Fasulo both care deeply about the issues of transparency, listening to and working towards the goals the citizens care about, the environment, and the quality of life for all our residents.

We as a town have a number of important issues that are not

resolved and we should all be concerned about how these issues are being handled. Much of the activity is being done by the incumbents in Executive Session (aka behind closed doors). The citizens should know where the selectmen stand on each of these issues.

Sciarappa Farm: the current board has made it clear that there are other priorities than preserving our dwindling open space. This puts the town at risk of losing an opportunity (like we did with Ristuccia ice skating rink) and having that 53 acres scooped up by developers.

The Olin Superfund Site and Transrail: the current board has not only approved the go ahead for a proposal to be brought before town to build a warehouse on top of this toxic site but has also given permission to David Newhouse to represent the developer of this case before the town (even though he was privy to all information about Olin and Transrail discussed in Executive Sessions while he was Town Counsel and on the Board of Selectmen).

The proposed detox in North Wilmington: there is still an open case in Land Court and the developer might still appeal the Special Permit denial and/or pursue a federal law suit under the Americans with Disabilities Act. In February 2018, both Kevin Caira and Greg Bendel publicly stated they agreed with having a detox in Wilmington and Kevin Caira said he was opposed to the zoning change. Now, just this week in the Apple Kevin Caira now says he is opposed to the detox and Greg Bendel chose to be noncommittal.

Both Suzanne Sullivan and

Rob Fasulo seek to have inclusive government, are concerned with protecting our open spaces for future generations, are deeply concerned with the continuing contamination at Olin where families still have their water shipped in and paid for by Olin, and they are both committed to fighting the proposed detox.

The Board of Selectmen needs a balance of opposing views to ensure a better dialogue about the issues our town is facing. The incumbents do not want open discussion that involves the residents, they seek to make decisions behind closed doors (I mean, Executive Session).

I heartily endorse Suzanne Sullivan and Rob Fasulo for Town Selectmen and urge all residents to get out and vote on April 27.

Janice Sawyer

## VA nursing homes provide good care overall

To the editor,

The following is the VA National response to the recent Globe/USA article on VA Community Living Centers.

Given recent news reports, we wanted to share the facts about VAs nursing home program and how we measure ourselves against the private sector.

By cherry picking isolated incidents as USA Today did, any health care facility could be made to look bad. But VA nursing homes, despite caring for sicker patients on average than non-VA facilities, provide good care overall, and this fact is supported by data.

VA health care inspection reports show that, in comparison with non-VA facilities rated by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), VA has a lower number of low-performing facilities (VA: 17.2 percent, non-VA: 19.7 percent) and a higher number of higher-performing facilities (VA: 17.2 percent, non-VA: 10.8 percent). Further, the overall star rat-

ing for VA nursing homes compared with the 15,487 private sector nursing homes rated by CMS shows that VA has a significantly lower percentage of one-star, or lowest rated, facilities than the rest of the nation. VAs latest ratings show that only eight, roughly six percent, of VA nursing homes received an overall one-star rating.

Many VA nursing home residents are being treated for conditions such as prostate obstruction, spinal cord injury, mental illness, homelessness, post-traumatic stress disorder, combat injury, terminal illness and other conditions rarely seen in private nursing homes. In fact, 42 percent of 41,076 VA CLC residents in fiscal 2018 had a service-connected disability rating of 50 percent or higher.

And by publicly posting, for the first time, health care inspection reports and staffing data for our nursing homes, we hope to drive improvements

throughout the system.

VA is continuously striving to improve all of its health care facilities. When problems arise, we address them head on and hold accountable those responsible.

But when media outlets cherry-pick the experiences of a handful of veterans and attempt to portray them as illustrative of a broad problem across VA nursing homes nationally, they do a disservice to veterans, taxpayers and the thousands of VA employees who are working hard every day to provide the best possible care to our nations veterans.

### About Nursing Home Inspection Reports

Non-VA nursing homes are inspected by the states in which they reside, and those

states have discretion regarding the types of issues that are documented in inspection reports. This causes variability in the way Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Nursing Home Standards are interpreted and applied across the states.

By contrast, VA utilizes a single contractor to provide unannounced nursing home inspections at all 134 VA Community Living Centers. This contractor has a dedicated team of employees who provide a more consistent approach to implementing the annual unannounced nursing home inspections within VA.

This is an advantage for the department, as the surveys measure performance equally and drive improvement across the system.

Per standard practice, Letters to the Editor regarding an election won't be run the week of the election. Letters to the Editor regarding the Wilmington election will run until April 17.

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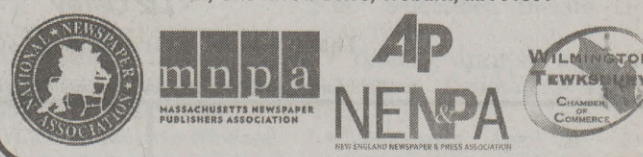
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edge of how the town really works, they possess an extensive understanding of town by laws and know the history of how the Board of Selectmen has operated.

They both speak passionately about the way we need to move forward to ensure the residents of Wilmington are being best served by their town government. They have demonstrated great leadership, understanding and real commitment in their ongoing efforts to make Wilmington a better place to live.

We need to have honest and caring politicians to ensure the citizens of Wilmington have advocates to fight for an efficient and responsive government.

Suzanne Sullivan and Rob Fasulo are the right candidates to move Wilmington forward in order to address the serious issues that we face. I urge you to vote for both Suzanne and Rob on Saturday April 27. Our future depends on it.

Jeff Kline



# OBITUARIES

## John P. Cipriani

Served in the US Navy during World War II

John P. Cipriani, age 90, of Wilmington, passed away peacefully on March 30, 2019.

John was the beloved husband of Priscilla A. (Richards) Cipriani, devoted father of Carol (Cipriani) Mutchler of

Wilmington, Paul Cipriani & his wife Deborah of Derry, NH, formerly of Wilmington and Kenneth Cipriani & his wife Deneen of Hudson, NH.

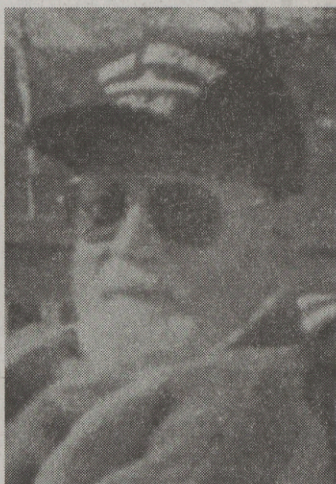
Loving "Aboo" of Matthew, Adam & Bethany Mutchler, Jenessa & James Mobley, Kristen & Victor Perrine, Meredith Cipriani, Taylor & Victoria Cipriani and great-grandfather of Amaya, Leia,

Ava, Stella and Harrison. Cherished son of the late Victor and Louise (DeSantis) Cipriani, dear brother of the late Eleanor Vellante.

Family and friends gathered for Service with Military Honors at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rt. 62), Wilmington, on Tuesday, April 2 at 11 a.m. Visiting Hours were held at the Funeral Home on Monday, April 1 from 4 - 8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations in John's memory MGH Home Base Program, Red Sox Foundation for Wounded Warriors, 1 Constitution Wharf, Charlestown, MA 02129.

John proudly served in the United States Navy aboard the



USS Midway during World War II.

[www.nicholsfuneralhome.com](http://www.nicholsfuneralhome.com)

## Edward J. Melanson

Served in the US Army

Edward J. Melanson, age 88, of Wilmington, passed away peacefully on March 30, 2019, surrounded by his entire loving family.

Ed was a hard-working man, he worked for over 30 years as a

File Driver for the Carpenter's Union Local #56. He built many houses in and around Wilmington and worked in maintenance for over 14 years for the Wilmington Housing Authority.

Ed was deeply loved by his family. As his health declined over the past weeks, Ed's family spent every possible moment with him, caring for his every need, showing remarkable devotion to their husband, father, "Grampy," "GG" and friend.

Ed was the devoted husband of Katherine (Hayford) Melanson of Wilmington. He was the loving father of Mark Melanson & his wife Patricia of Reading, Paula Powers & her

companion Harry Chambers, and Peter Melanson & his wife Maureen, all of Tewksbury.

Ed was the beloved "Grampy" of Ashlin Dasilva, Janelle Crosby, Brenna & Kaelyn Melanson, Jennifer Powers, Justin LaCau, and Makayla & Ethan Melanson.

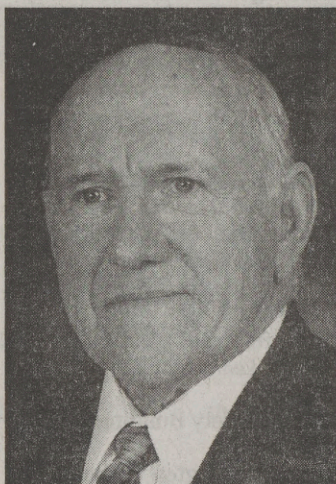
He was the cherished "GG" of Brynn & Emmy Dasilva and Taylor LaCau.

Ed was the son of the late Joseph and Georgine (Saulnier) Melanson. He was the dear brother of the late Thomas Melanson, survived by his wife Dorothy, and the late Jeanne Muise, survived by her husband Paul.

Ed is also survived by his sister-in-law, Mary Guay, as well as many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Family and friends gathered at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rt. 62) Wilmington, on Wednesday, April 3 at 10 a.m. followed by a funeral mass in St. Dorothy's Church, Main St. (Rt. 38), Wil-

lington at 11 a.m.



Interment with military honors took place in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. Visiting Hours were held at the Funeral Home on Tuesday, April 2 from 3 - 7 p.m. Memorial donations in Ed's name can be made to the Alzheimer's Association, [www.alz.org/donate](http://www.alz.org/donate).

Ed proudly served in the US Army.

## Kathleen (Murphy) Pierce

Worked at GE as a fork truck driver

Kathleen (Murphy) Pierce, age 77, of Lady Lake, FL, formerly a long-time resident of Wilmington, passed away on March 24, 2019.

Kathleen was born on July 7, 1941 in Lawrence, MA; she was the cherished daughter of the late John M. and Helen (McAvoy) Murphy. Kathleen was raised in Lawrence as part of a loving family of five sisters.

Kathleen met her husband, William "Bill" Pierce, in 1958; the couple dated for a few years before getting married on Aug. 7, 1960. Kathleen and Bill lived in Lynn before moving to Wilmington in 1963, where they raised their three children: Bill, Colleen and John.

Kathleen worked at J.B. Thomas hospital as a clerk; through her hard work and dedication to her job, Kathleen was promoted to a purchasing officer. She worked as a purchasing officer for many years before she decided to make a career change.

Kathleen went to work at General Electric in Lynn as a fork truck driver. Kathleen loved her job and worked there for many years before she retired.

Kathleen and Bill loved to spend time at their homes in

Wells, ME and Lady Lake, FL. They spent winters in Florida and summers in Maine before moving to Florida permanently. Kathleen loved the ocean and the sand. She enjoyed spending time with her sisters who also moved to Florida. In her spare time, she enjoyed relaxing and catching up on her latest television shows.

Kathleen will be remembered as a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother; she loved to spend time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

Kathleen was the beloved wife of 58 years of William A. Pierce, devoted mother of William C. Pierce & his wife Lois of Jamestown, RI, Colleen Pettinati & her husband John of Canton, GA and John Pierce & his wife Kathleen of Wilmington, loving grandmother of Emily, Corey, Kyle, Michaila, Jonathan, Brendan and Shauna, cherished daughter of the late John M. and Helen (McAvoy) Murphy, dear sister of Michele Herrick & her late husband Allan, Helen Thomson & her late husband James all of Lady Lake, FL, Jacqueline Goodwin & her husband Ronald of Tewksbury and the late Patricia Peterson



& her late husband Theodore. Kathleen is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Family and friends gathered for a Funeral Service at the Nichols Funeral Home, Inc., 187 Middlesex Ave., (Rt. 62) on Monday, April 1 at 11 a.m. Interment followed in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. Visiting hours were held at the Funeral Home on Sunday, March 31 from 2 - 6 p.m.

Memorial donations in Kathleen's name may be made to The Children's Health Defense, 1227 North Peachtree Pkwy, Suite 202, Peachtree City, GA 30269.

## Mirabella, Jr. named to Dean's List at Providence College

PROVIDENCE, RI - Joseph A. Mirabella, Jr., a resident of Wilmington and a member of the class of 2022, has been named to the Dean's List at Providence College for the Fall 2018 semester. To qualify for the Dean's List, students must achieve at least a 3.55

grade point average with a minimum of 12 credits.

Founded in 1917, Providence College is the only college or university in the United States administered by the Dominican Friars and has an undergraduate enrollment of approximately 4,000 students.

### A PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

(never known to fail)

O Most beautiful Flower of Mount Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this my necessity. O Star of the Sea, help me and show me, you are my Mother.

O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity (Make requests). There are none that can withstand your power.

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee. (3 times) Holy Mother, I place this cause in your hands. (3 times)

Say for 3 consecutive days and publish. God Bless

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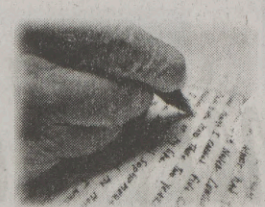
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## Letters to the editor

### New residents support Bendel for selectman

To the editor,  
Hi my name is Chris Capasso. Along with my wife, Kayla, and my new baby daughter, Quinn, we are newer residents to Wilmington. In our time here, we have

been very impressed with the way selectman Greg Bendel has been working for the entire town's best interest.

My family and I whole heartedly support Mr. Bendel for the Board of Selectmen. We

look forward to the future with his leadership. I'm proud to say that I have planted roots for my family in Wilmington.

Sincerely,  
Chris Capasso

### Teacher's Association supports elementary school

Dear Tewksbury community,

We are sure that everyone will agree that education matters. The magic that takes place when a child learns about the world around them is something that can inspire a community. That's why we hope Tewksbury residents are inspired by the prospects of a new elementary school. Not only will it modernize the buildings in which students receive their education, it will modernize the way students learn.

This is why the Tewksbury Teachers Association absolutely supports the construction of a new elementary school in

Tewksbury. The potential that it would bring surely outweighs its initial cost.

The elementary schools we have today were perfect for the time period in which they were built.

However, times have changed. Schools are not what they used to be, and they need to change accordingly. A new school would offer the students of Tewksbury a place where 21st century learning can truly take root. Educational spaces dedicated to technology would inspire the next generation of scientists and engineers.

Art and band rooms could lead to programs that offer stu-

dents, who struggle in more traditional settings, the chance to find success. Modern classrooms will give teachers the resources they need to reach all of their students in an inspiring way. The possibilities are limitless and priceless.

That is why the Tewksbury Teachers Association is asking for your support in the construction of this new elementary school. We ask you to vote in favor of a building that will bring students a 21st century education that they deserve.

Sincerely,  
Tewksbury Teachers Association

### Rep. Nguyen helps pass supplemental budget

BOSTON — Representative Tram T. Nguyen joined her colleagues in the Massachusetts House of Representatives to pass a supplemental budget, approximately \$135 million, which addresses multiple areas including heating assistance, enhanced support for victims of sexual assault, and programs to help those battling homelessness, including many people struggling with opioid use.

House Speaker Robert DeLeo was happy that the legislation passed, because it will provide much needed heating assistance to residents still

facing winter weather. Representative Aaron Michlewitz, Chair of the House Committee on Ways and Means, was pleased that the budget will fund critical investments that the Commonwealth needs while being vigilant about the state's fiscal situation at the same time. Rep. Nguyen is thankful for their leadership.

"As the Merrimack Valley is still recovering from the gas crisis that greatly impacted our community, I was glad to vote in favor of a supplemental budget that provides funding for a statewide examination of the

gas infrastructure, emergency assistance family shelters, heating assistance, and more to benefit our residents and others throughout the Commonwealth. It's wonderful that the House unanimously voted to fund these necessary programs," said Rep. Nguyen.

Rep. Nguyen serves the 18th Essex District, which includes parts of Andover, Boxford, North Andover, and Tewksbury. She lives in Andover with her partner Nate and three adorable dogs. She can be reached at Tram.Nguyen@mahouse.gov.



## Chamber Corner

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### Upcoming Chamber of Commerce Events:

**Multi-Chamber Women's Speed Networking**  
Date: Monday, April 8  
Time: 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
Place: Temazcal, Burlington  
Cost: \$10 Members, \$20 Guests

**Structured Networking "Baseball Style"**  
Date: Thursday, April 11  
Time: 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
Place: Tewksbury Knights of Columbus  
Cost: Free for Members, \$20 Guests

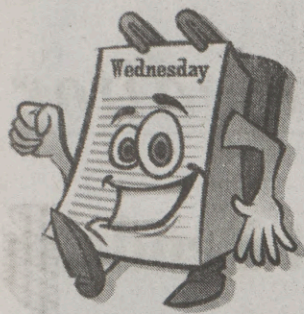
**Wilmington Candidates Night**  
Date: Tuesday, April 9  
Time: 6:00 pm  
Place: WHS, Large Group Instruction Room  
Residents welcome to attend.

**Chamber Golf Classic**  
Date: Monday, April 29  
Time: 8:00 am Shotgun Start  
Place: Tewksbury Country Club  
Visit [www.wilmingtontewksburychamber.org](http://www.wilmingtontewksburychamber.org) for details to play or sponsor this event.

Please contact the Chamber for additional event details.

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# Community Calendar

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## Wilmington Calendar:

### Meet the Easter Bunny at Wilmington Sons of Italy

**Wildcat Band Parents' Trivia Night**  
Friday, April 5 at 7 p.m.  
Knights of Columbus Banquet Hall, 112 Middlesex Avenue  
The trivia night to benefit the Wilmington Wildcat Bands opens its doors at 7:00 p.m. and begins at 7:30 p.m. Bring your own food to share with your teammates. A cash bar will be available and there will be raffle baskets. The cost is \$20 per person and tables hold up to 10 people. Sponsorship opportunities are available. Please make checks payable to The Wilmington Band Parents Association. For more information, please contact Steve Sica at 978-771-0810 or Jeff Bradford at 978-658-1723.

**Meet and Greet with Kevin Caira**  
Sunday, April 7 from 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.  
Wilmington Friendship Lodge, 32 Church Street  
Kevin Caira, a candidate for re-election to the Board of Selectmen, invites Wilmington residents to join him on Sunday, April 7 at the Wilmington Friendship Lodge on 32 Church Street. Refreshments will be served.

**Abundant Life Early Easter**  
Friday, April 12 from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.  
Abundant Life Church, 173 Church Street  
Abundant Life Kids Ministry invites you to Early Easter on Friday, April 12. The event features kids' praise and a kids' message, crafts, snacks, and

an egg hunt. For more information, call 978-658-8584, email [info@ablifetchurch.org](mailto:info@ablifetchurch.org), or visit [ablifetchurch.org](http://ablifetchurch.org).

**Wilmington Sons of Italy Hosts Breakfast with the Easter Bunny**  
Sunday, April 14  
Knights of Columbus Hall  
Wilmington Sons of Italy's Breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be held on Sunday, April 14. As in the past, there will be two seatings, one at 8:30 and another at 10:30. The menu will consist of scrambled eggs, hash browns, bacon, sausage, waffles, cereal, milk, coffee and juice. The donation is \$8 and children 3 and under are free. For tickets, contact Michele at 978-658-8284 by April 5. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

**Sullivan for Selectman**  
Saturday, April 27  
If you like your politicians passionate, decent, and honest then Suzanne is your candidate. If you feel that a woman's perspective is an asset in government, then Suzanne is your candidate. If you feel that open space, clean water, and clean air enhance the quality of life, then advocate Suzanne is your candidate. If you admire people who can think on their feet, like frugal budgets, and are sensitive to people's needs, then Suzanne is your candidate.

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Sunday, September 29  
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**Lazarus House Sharing Our Bounty Gala**  
Saturday, November 16  
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When there is evidence of alcoholism or drug use in a family, you can see the effects on the other family members, especially young people. Alateen meetings provide mutual support for young people affected by someone else's drinking and drug use. Come speak with teens who know exactly how you feel. The meetings are confidential and a safe place to share experiences, strength, and hope with each other; discuss difficulties; learn effective ways to cope with problems; encourage one another; help each other understand the principles of the Al-Anon program; and learn how to use the Twelve Steps and Alateen's Twelve Traditions. For more information on the Tewksbury meeting, call Maria Ruggiero at 978-851-7373 X352. For more information on Alanon/Alateen, call 508-366-0556 or visit [alanon.alateen.org/for-alateen](http://alanon.alateen.org/for-alateen).

**Safety seat installation**  
Every Wednesday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Public Safety Building, 1 Adelaide Street  
The Wilmington Police Department offers safety seat installs at the Wilmington Public Safety Building (1 Adelaide St.) every Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. No appointment is necessary but calling ahead at 978-658-5071 is recommended.

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## GLCF, CTI and DA's office partner in Drug Court Transportation Project

**LOWELL** -- Community Teamwork, Inc. (CTI), Greater Lowell Community Foundation and the Middlesex District Attorney's Office are announcing a first-of-its kind partnership to provide transportation to individuals to and from Drug Court. Last year CTI received a \$10,000 grant from the Greater Lowell Community Foundation to help start the pilot program, which kicked off in October, and is currently providing services to three women who are being picked up from a Lynn Sober House and transported to their court appearances. The goal is to accommodate up to 13 individuals each week.

"This partnership with the office of District Attorney Marian T. Ryan, Community Teamwork and the Drug Court is the capstone of a multi-year commitment to fund programs for opioid prevention and treatment in our area and help ensure success for participants. In response to the opioid epidemic, the Community Foundation has awarded more than \$160,000 in discretionary funds to support local nonprofits," said Greater Lowell Community Foundation President and CEO Jay Linnehan.

"By providing this transportation option we are filling a service gap that was prohibiting some individuals from easily accessing the courts, which is essential to successful completion of drug court," said District Attorney Ryan. "We continue to work with the courts and our community partners to ensure the criminal justice system is not just punitive. To do this we need to think outside the box to come up with innovative solutions that will hopefully lead to a successful outcome and ultimately interrupt the often cyclical effects of substance use disorders."

The Drug Court is a special session within Massachusetts district courts where judges, prosecutors, defense attorneys, probation officers, police and social-service workers team up to work with defendants on

probation whose crimes were motivated by substance abuse. Many defendants are placed in treatment programs, which can be located far from their community and the Drug Court. These defendants often cannot truly participate in Drug Court because in the early stages their treatment program may not permit them to leave for unchaperoned travel for an extended period. In addition, various modes of transportation, such as public transportation and taxis can be cost prohibitive and often defendants can find themselves back in the neighborhoods and streets where drugs are being sold.

Community Teamwork recognized that its Transportation Department, which brings children to and from school, had flexibility to use drivers and vehicles during the school day to respond to other community needs. With funding from the Greater Lowell Community Foundation, CTI is deploying drivers and vehicles to fill this need. GLCF provided a \$10,000 grant to support the cost of a driver and van for Community Teamwork to facilitate this innovative approach to assist the Drug Court and its clients. Together, CTI, GLCF and the Drug Court probation officers developed a framework for what the program might look like as well as a strict Code of Conduct which the participants would have to follow in order to receive the benefit of this program.

"Most often, these defendants are in need of other basic services which CTI can provide, such as housing, financial literacy, child care, etc. Through this pilot program, which can send employees from CTI to work with the probation officials and social workers, we are able to identify the various resources available to the defendants. We could not have taken this novel approach without the help of this grant from GLCF," stated Meghan Siembor, Director of Child and Family Services.

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**Wynn Play**  
Wynn Middle School Drama

presents An Absolutely True Story (Told By A Bunch of Lying Liars), Friday, April 5 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, April 6 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Wynn, Victor Drive. Admission is pay what you will. This is the public performance before the show goes to the Massachusetts Educational Theater Guild's Middle School Festival at the end of the month.

## Tewksbury Calendar:

### Swing into spring with the SilverTones

**Reenactment Line of March Event**  
Sunday, April 7 starting at 1 p.m.  
Tewksbury Town Center  
Watch the Tewksbury Minutemen march from Town Common to the Tewksbury Library, joined by the Lexington Minutemen and Col. Bailey's 2nd Massachusetts Regiment as they recreate a portion of the march to Concord.

**SilverTones Swing into Spring**  
Saturday, April 13 from 7 p.m. - 10 p.m.  
Swing into Spring with the fabulous SilverTones Big Band on their first ever Saturday Dance on April 13. This 20-piece Orchestra is made up of professional musicians from the area who perform together monthly (except July and August) in the Tewksbury Senior Center for adult listening and dancing pleasure. The vocalist is BB Braxten, retired director of the capella "Liberty Belles," and the drummer is Jim Sut-

ton of his own "Perfect Match Trio," who also sings a few lively tunes. Come celebrate spring with Big Band Music. Dance to old and new favorites. Enjoy jazz, Latin, polkas, fox trots, and jitterbug numbers as well as line dances. Come single or as couples. Bring along your favorite beverages and munchies. Enjoy free ice, cake tea/coffee. Admission is \$10 per person. There is a 50/50 raffle and door prize. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. The Center is fully handicapped accessible, has lighted parking, and a huge new dance floor in the beautiful center. Come join in the fun and meet new friends.

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## Letters to the editor

### Caira, Bendel have maintained values of voter

To the editor,  
I write to support the re-election of Kevin Caira and Greg Bendell.

Both have maintained the values of the Wilmington voter: integrity, professionalism, and accountability. I have lived in Wilmington since 1969

and have always been proud of its leadership. (and I remember living on an unaccepted street and the difficulties that come with that) If there is a fix for that I would like to hear what the fix is and what is the cost and who is responsible for that cost.

There was a difficult time 15 or 20 years or so. It seemed at the time that being "pugnacious" and cute about a serious issue was a winner.

The best insult you can fly publicly, name calling, was thought to be a winning strategy. I am grateful for the

peace that has come to Wilmington after that time.

Best wishes to Mr. Caira and Mr. Bendell.

Sincerely,  
Ann L. Yurek

years. During that time I have watched him dedicate his life to service.

As a teacher he helps mentor students to excel in their vocation of choice.

As a coach he has united teams to play together as ONE to win.

As a father/husband I have seen him love unconditionally. As a neighbor I have always been greeted with a smile and time to chat as him and his family were walking around the block.

As a community member I have seen him give back by vol-

unteering with Special Olympics.

And over the last three years I have watched him maintain integrity, compassion, and leadership as a selectmen.

We need a candidate that seeks service over status! Observing Greg Bendels service to our community leaves me and hopefully you with one clear choice at the polls.

Vote BENDEL for community!

See you at the polls,  
Amanda Munis



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## Baker-Polito Administration invests \$2M in emergency power to protect water quality in Merrimack River

BOSTON — The Baker-Polito Administration provided \$2 million in capital funding to the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District (GLSD) to provide backup power for their Riverside Pump Station. This investment will allow GLSD to purchase and install backup power generators to prevent spills into the Merrimack River during cases of long-term power outages.

"Our administration has made clean water a priority, and this investment will help ensure residents are able to enjoy the Merrimack River and protect its natural resources," said Governor Charlie Baker.

"Investments in water infrastructure provide important benefits to the public health of communities," said Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito. "To protect the Commonwealth's environment, we are pleased to partner with the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District on this important project to build toward a cleaner and safer Merrimack River."

Established by law in 1968, the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District is responsible for sewage collection, treatment, and disposal for the City of Lawrence, and the Towns of Methuen, Andover, and North Andover. GLSD's Riverside Pump Station accepts contaminated water flows from 99 percent of the service area and diverts them to the facility's wastewater treatment plant where the water is properly treated and discharged into the Merrimack River.

In 2017, GLSD experienced power failures affecting both the main plant and the Riverside Pump Station and as a result were unable to accept, treat, and discharge water. Due to the large volume of water caused by a storm, wastewater levels exceeded the capacity of the combined sewer overflow system and spilled, untreated into the Merrimack River.

In response to these events, MassDEP has entered into an administrative consent order with GLSD requiring them to submit to a schedule to provide alternative on-site power facilities to provide for sustained operation of the facility at full capacity. The district will use this \$2 million to invest in backup power generators to prevent these types of events.

"Through this funding and MassDEP's consent order, we are proud to announce that the issues being faced by the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District are being addressed," said Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Matthew Beaton. "Power can be lost at any time during a storm, but this project will make sure the lights stay on and the Merrimack River remains protected."

"We are pleased to enter into this order with the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District," said MassDEP Commissioner Martin Suuberg. "This investment will help the district meet the unique challenges of improving water quality management."

This funding announcement builds on the Baker-Polito Administration's continued commitment to protecting the Commonwealth's water bodies, including awarding almost \$100 million in loans through the State Revolving Fund (SRF) for sewage overflow mitigation projects, and awarding \$4.5 million in capital funding to the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission to prevent sewage overflows along the Connecticut River.

"Several weeks ago I met with DEP Commissioner Suuberg to strongly advocate for release of these monies," said State Senator Diana DoZoglio (D-Methuen). "I am grateful the Commissioner and his team were willing to meet with me so early in this session regarding this issue and that they heard our concerns loud and clear and have agreed to take action on the issues of combined sewer overflows, which will contribute to the overall health of the Merrimack River, from Lawrence and North Andover, all the way up to Newburyport. This funding benefits so many communities who, without this generator, could expect millions of gallons of sewage to potentially be dumped into the river during a power outage. There is of course much more work to be done but this is a huge, tangible win for the Merrimack Valley."

"We are thrilled the Baker-Polito Administration released the funds for the Greater Lawrence Sanitary District," said State Representative James Kelcourse (R-Newburyport). "This will not only improve the GLSD's overall operation of the plant, but protect the communities along the Merrimack River from health hazards caused by combined sewage overflow."

MassDEP is responsible for ensuring clean air and water, safe management and recycling of solid and hazardous wastes, timely cleanup of hazardous waste sites and spills and the preservation of wetlands and coastal resources.



## GO FLY AN ACTUAL KITE DURING NATIONAL KITE MONTH

By HEATHER BURNS  
News Correspondent

Usually, if someone were to tell you to "go fly a kite," it would be an impolite, frank way to tell you to go away and don't bother them. But April is "National Kite Month," the perfect time for a friendly and polite invitation to "go fly a kite!"

Kite flying dates back to as early as 200 B.C. The Chinese military would use kites as a means to measure distance when in battle. Kites were eventually spread by trade from China to Korea, then across Asia to India.

Each area would develop their own distinctive kite and cultural purpose for flying them. The uses for kites ranged from a means to deliver messages, to military use, and were even used in the fishing industry as a way to carry bait and drop it across the water in heavily fished areas.

Kite flying in Europe is recorded back as early as the 13th century, but was regarded as mostly a curiosity and hobby. It wasn't until the 18th century that Europe started to use the kite as a vehicle and tool for scientific research.

Ben Franklin, famous for his knowledge of kite flying, used kite flying to learn more about wind and weather. Later, the U.S. Weather Service would continue to use kites to raise meteorological instruments and cameras.

In 1822, inventor and schoolmaster Georg Pocock successfully adapted kites, instead of horses, to pull a carriage. He was able to record carriage speeds from 20 mph up to 100 mph.

Famous inventors like Alexander Graham Bell and the Wright Brothers also experimented with kites. The Wright Brothers use of kite experiments directly contributed to the development of the airplane.

During World War I and II, the U.S. military found many uses for kites. They were used to prevent airplanes from flying too low over targets. Kites were also used by pilots lost at sea as a signal to be found, for aircraft recognition at sea and used for target practice.

But as airplane flight became more firmly established, kite use became almost obsolete for military and scientific purposes, leaving kite flying

mainly as a recreational activity.

In 1972, Peter Powell introduced a dual toy/stunt line of kites, and kite flying changed from a casual recreation activity, to a competitive sport.

New materials like ripstop nylon, fiberglass, and carbon graphite have made kites stronger, lighter and more durable. These new materials have also helped in the expansion of recreational kites to include hand gliders, sport parachuting, kite surfing and kite boarding over land, water and ice.

No more are the days of picking out a paper kite and string set at the local 5 and 10 store. For the more serious kite flyer of today, whether you are experienced or a newcomer to the sport, there are a vast variety

of shapes, colors, and styles to choose from.

There are many brick and mortar and online specialty shops to find just what you need for a day of relaxing kite flying or competitive sport kiting.

Dr. Gravity's Kite Shop, located at 560 Main St. in Harwich Port, MA, has been in business at the same location for 45 years. This shop may be small, but the selection of traditional and unusual kites is large. Shop owner Peter Hunt is a friendly and knowledgeable kite flyer himself, and can help you find the right kite for your needs.

Fun With Wind, located at 1820 Turnpike St. in North Andover, is also good choice for a shop you can

walk into and leave with the proper kite flying equipment.

For online shopping, Dr. Gravity also has an online shop at [www.drgravitys.com](http://www.drgravitys.com) or try [www.intothewind.com](http://www.intothewind.com) or [www.windsweptkites.com](http://www.windsweptkites.com) for a huge selection of recreational, artistic, traditional, or stunt types of kites, plus all kite flying accessories.

Once you have found your kite flying equipment, you will need to find a kite friendly area to fly. Never fly kites near utility lines or large trees and buildings. Also avoid areas with a lot of non-kite flying, people traffic. A wide, open space is required for good kite flying conditions. Not only to capture optimum wind speed, but also for safety purposes.

The American Kitefliers Association, a non profit organization dedicated to sharing kiting with the world, recommends several sites in the Boston area for pleasurable and safe kite flying.

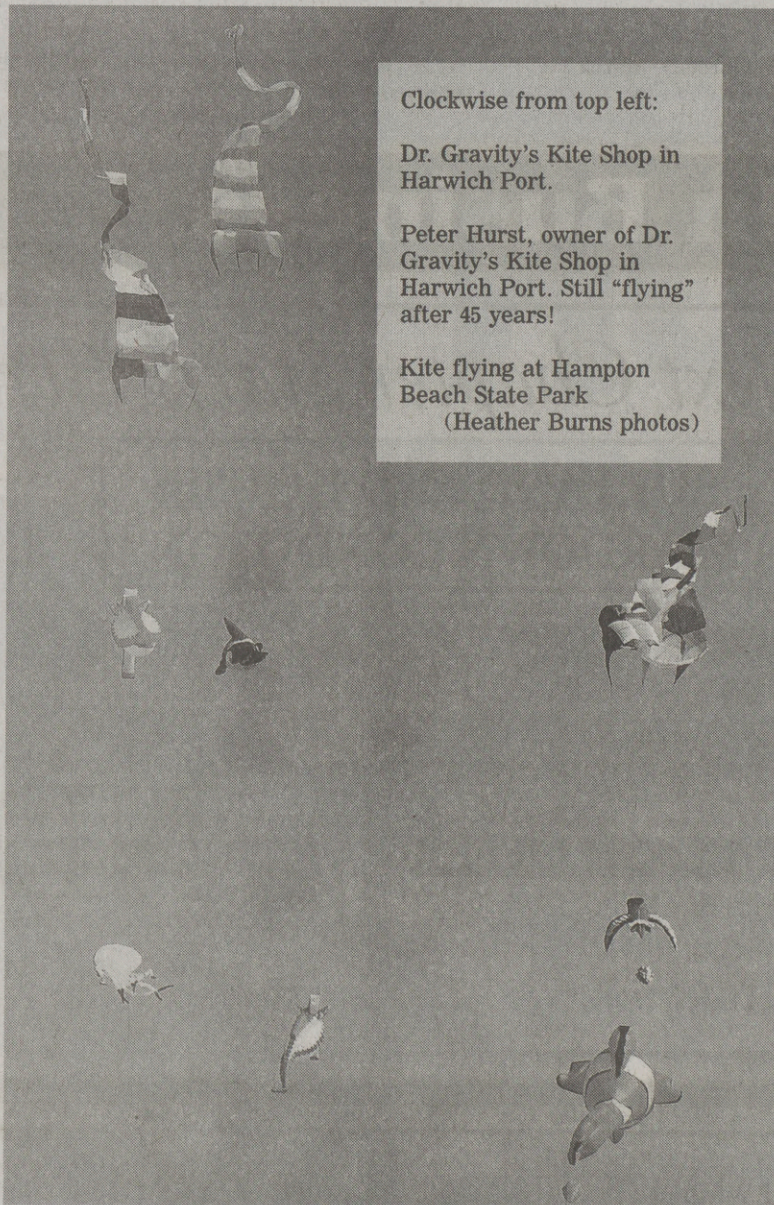
The AKA recommends Revere Beach, Hampton State Park Beach and West Dennis Beach, as all have designated kite flying areas to enjoy the sea breeze that is essential for kite flying.

Also recommended by the AKA is Danehy Park, located at 99 Sherman St. in Cambridge, offering 50 acres of mostly open green space. Robbin's Farm, located at 61 Eastern Ave. in Arlington, offers lots of green space plus a view of Boston's Skyline and Pope John Paul II Park, located on Granite Street in Boston, has acres of green space for kite flying and offers ample parking.

You can celebrate National Kite Month on Saturday, April 13 at "Kite Day at Cogswell's Grant," 60 Spring St. in Essex from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. This event is free for flyers and spectators, and all are welcome to come and fly your favorite kite. For a price of \$10, children and adults can attend the Make Your Own Kite Workshop that will be offered on site.

This workshop will teach you how to build your own kite and how to fly it. Also on hand will be professional kite flyers from all over New England who will be showing their expert flying techniques. Call 978-768-3632 for more information on Kite Day and the Kite Workshop.

So, the next time someone says "go fly a kite," don't take offense, simply get outside and enjoy some early spring weather with a relaxing day of kite flying!



Clockwise from top left:

Dr. Gravity's Kite Shop in Harwich Port.

Peter Hurst, owner of Dr. Gravity's Kite Shop in Harwich Port. Still "flying" after 45 years!

Kite flying at Hampton Beach State Park (Heather Burns photos)

## Spring is the perfect time to work on your yard

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News Correspondent

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As the robins dot the yard and spring peepers chirp, the time has come to wake our lawns from their winter slumber. Temperatures rise, making it more agreeable to spend time outside and revive those parts of our property that might be looking a bit haggard from the cold and harsh conditions they endured.

The grass will benefit from a good raking and residents can bundle sticks and place them curbside for pickup. Both Wilmington and Tewksbury have yard waste pick ups in April so check your town's website for more details.

Wilmington has a brush drop off punch card to purchase; Tewksbury residents can pay to drop off at BMC Compost on South Street for materials that might fall outside the curbside pickup window. Yard waste should be placed in barrels or paper lawn bags; no plastic, it will not be picked up.

Storm drains are a major collector of leaves and sand, and the best advice is to clear the area along your curb and near your storm drain so spring rain can flow freely and not cause flooding. Do not push sand and debris into the drain; a build up of debris impedes the flow of water and causes backups.

Water that goes into a storm

drain heads directly into our waterways untreated so just remember "Only Rain in the Drain" please. Also, consider using organic or minimal lawn care products as they wash off your grass and go straight into the Shawsheen River, Long Pond and wetlands. High levels of phosphorous cause algae blooms and cyanobacteria in our waterways which come from lawn chemicals runoff.

Another project that is worth putting on the spring list is checking your mailbox and house numbers. Think about a fresh coat of paint or buying a new mailbox. A mailbox is such a small and inexpensive curb appeal item, not to mention a working door keeps your mail dry

and makes the job easier for your mail carrier.

Bungee cords, missing doors, and rusted boxes detract from a property. What an easy fix to beautify your street! Also, house numbers which are visible from the road are not only attractive, they are required to help police and emergency services personnel find your house quickly. Letters should be at least 6 inches tall and clearly visible from the street.

In a situation where seconds count, be selfish and be sure emergency personnel can find your property. No matter which project you tackle, get out and enjoy the sunshine and warmth.





## Tewksbury Police Log

### Two arrested, charged with possessing class A drugs

Monday, March 25

1:17 a.m. - A black vehicle that the caller had never seen before was seen at Main Street. Police sent. Christopher Guthrie, 31, of 108 Chapel St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with a warrant for threatening to commit crime and a warrant for license suspended.

4:58 a.m. - Neighbor called to report a loud exhaust on his neighbor's vehicle at Armando Way. Police sent to speak to the party, but the vehicle was gone on arrival.

6:36 p.m. - Manager from Walmart reported a male from an earlier incident was in the lady's room. Police sent. Officer escorted male off of the property and told him not to come back.

10:04 p.m. - The caller's neighbor's dog was outside barking and she was not answering the door. Police sent. The homeowner fell asleep and the dog was back inside.

Tuesday, March 26

1:43 a.m. - Police at North Street and Radcliff Road with a motor vehicle. Samuel Bess, 42, of 123 Ames Hill Drive in Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with operating motor vehicle with license suspended and number plate violation.

2:42 p.m. - A 911 call from a female resident reported that her husband who has Alzheimer's disease fled the house approximately a half hour ago at Rockvale Road. Police sent. They located him at Lowe Street. The police would transport him home to meet his wife back at the house. Officer filed a report.

9:24 p.m. - Police along with Billerica detectives out with a suspicious male party at Billerica Avenue and Forest Street. Police spoke to.

10:26 p.m. - Female caller reported a group of men yelled at Ames Hill Drive. Police sent. This was a small party and they were spoken to.

Wednesday, March 27

8:56 a.m. - Caller at Tewksbury Memorial High School reported someone keyed his girlfriend's car. Police were notified.

1:52 p.m. - Police at Exit 39 on Route 495 North stopped a motor vehicle. David Jodoin, 36, of 86 Mammoth Road at Manchester New Hampshire, was arrested and charged with possession class A drugs and operating motor vehicle with license suspended. Heather Kent, 32, of 127 Pleasant Valley Road in Amesbury, was arrested and charged with possession class A drugs.

4:32 p.m. - Walmart Loss Prevention reported they had apprehended two females for shoplifting. Janitza Arache, 26, of 291 Moody St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with a warrant for uninsured motor vehicle and shoplifting by concealing. Yesenia Ruiz, 25, of 18 Phebe Ave. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with shoplifting by concealing.

7:49 p.m. - A male party possibly under the influence was

hiding under a bush at Eastern Bank. Police sent. The party was looking for a homeless shelter. After police checked on the man, they discovered he had two warrants. Vaen Phoeun, 64 of Massachusetts, was arrested and charged with two warrants for by-law violation.

8:37 p.m. - A male party allegedly smoked marijuana at Papa Gino's. Police sent. They spoke with the party and there was no violation.

Thursday, March 28

12:21 p.m. - Female caller reported a dark car was parked in her driveway at Chandler Street stating he was a private investigator. Police reported he spoke earlier to confirm he was a private investigator.

4:12 p.m. - On a police officer's voicemail, there was a message from a female caller reporting someone went through her basement window sometime Saturday and took her high blood pressure meds

and a change jar at Park Avenue. Officer reported it was not a breaking and entering. Window was not compromised and filed a report.

9 p.m. - Caller reported he found a bottle of pills with no label on the ground at Papa Gino's North. Police sent and filed a report.

Friday, March 29

1:30 a.m. - Police stopped a motor vehicle at Cumberland Farms for marked lanes violation. Jasen Sanborn, 21, of 13 Katsikas Ave. in Dracut, was arrested and charged with OUI drugs, negligent operation of motor vehicle, and marked lanes violation.

4:14 a.m. - Overnight worker at Market Basket North reported a vehicle in the parking lot that has been running for over two hours. Police sent. Helio Pego, 35, of 15 Beech St. in Newton, was arrested and charged with a warrant for operation motor vehicle unlicensed.

11:24 a.m. - The bank security from Lowell 5 requested assistance with an elderly couple trying to remove funds believing their grandson was in jail. This was a scam. Police sent and filed a report.

12:16 p.m. - Police stopped a motor vehicle at Main Street

and Michael Street for suspended license. Dennis Blanchette, 75, of 157 Ipswich St. in North Billerica, was arrested and charged with operation motor vehicle with license suspended and refuse produce license/registration/plates.

3:27 p.m. - A 911 caller reported a female at Cumberland Farms possibly altered mental status. Police sent. Julie Politis, 41, of 52 Whitman Road in Waltham, was arrested and charged with possession class A drugs.

Saturday, March 30

8:07 p.m. - Police stopped a motor vehicle at Motel 6 showing a warrant. Christina Penta, 22, of 25 Wentworth Lane in Derry, New Hampshire, was arrested and charged with a warrant for assault and battery on family member.

8:42 p.m. - Caller heard loud noises which she believed were either fireworks or gunshots. Police sent and the officers checked the area. All was quiet.

Sunday, March 31

1:26 a.m. - Police out at Shawshen Street with a vehicle that has an open door. No answer at residence and appeared to be an oversight. Police would follow up in the morning.



## Wilmington Police Log

### Woman arrested for OUI, possession of class B drugs

Monday, March 25:

7:58 a.m.: Police removed a pole from the road at the intersection of Shawshen Avenue and Hopkins Street.

Tuesday, March 26:

12:59 a.m.: Lenon Leathers, 28, of 40 Redfield Cr. in Derry, New Hampshire was arrested after driving into a guardrail on Middlesex Avenue. Leathers was charged with operating under the influence of liquor, possession of an open container of alcohol in a vehicle, and leaving the scene of property damage.

12:08 p.m.: A Honda Accord

was vandalized overnight while parked on Hathaway Road.

4:07 p.m.: A motor vehicle collision involving a Honda Odyssey and a Hyundai Sonata occurred at the intersection of Church Street and Adelaide Street. No one was injured in the collision.

6:06 p.m.: A Honda Accord turned into a parking spot in the Market Basket parking lot just as the door of a Nissan Murano in the spot over was opened. The vehicles received minor damage, but no one was injured.

Wednesday, March 27:

6:43 a.m.: A Hyundai Sonata and a Nissan Altima were towed after a minor collision on Bridge Lane.

2:08 p.m.: A motor vehicle collision occurred at Target on Ballardvale involving a Nissan Maxima and a Mack truck. No one was injured.

Thursday, March 28:

8:09 a.m.: Animal Control responded to a call about an injured turkey on Palmer Way but found that the bird went into the woods when they arrived.

12:25 p.m.: Animal Control removed a dead coyote from a

backyard on Barbara Avenue.

1:15 p.m.: The rear lights and panel of a Ford F-150 were damaged by an unknown vehicle while the Ford was parked in a back lot on Andover Street.

2:53 p.m.: The Fire Department was called to free a driver from a BMW X5 after it rolled over at the intersection of Church Street and Adams Street. A Ford Expedition was also involved but did not roll over and did not have to be towed.

5:16 p.m.: A motor vehicle collision occurred at the intersection of Butters Row and

Main Street involving an Infiniti G37x and a Chevrolet Cruze. No one was injured.

Friday, March 29:

7:38 p.m.: A Fire Department transported one party for medical attention after a collision on Route 125 involving a Chevrolet Equinox and a Honda CR-V.

1:39 p.m.: Police retrieved and disposed of two hypodermic needles found by a Dexter Street resident in his driveway.

3:30 p.m.: A Honda CR-V and a Kia Sedona were in a collision at the intersection of Woburn Street and Concord Street. No one was injured and the vehicles' airbags were not deployed.

8:39 p.m.: After being spotted swerving at low speeds on Route 62 and Route 38, Elaine Geronimo, 33, of 8 Campo Seco St. in Lawrence was arrested for operating under the influence of liquor, negligent operation of a motor vehicle, possession of class B drugs, marked

lanes violation, and a defective headlight.

Saturday, March 30:

8:19 p.m.: Police helped the owner of a Subaru Tribeca get into his vehicle after he was locked out at Two Men and a Truck on Fordham Rd.

Sunday, March 31:

1:37 a.m.: Jason Thiphavong, 30, of 93 South St. in Lynn was arrested for operating under the influence of liquor, running a red light, negligent operation of a motor vehicle, marked lanes violation, and failure to wear a seatbelt.

3:05 a.m.: Jason Ouellette, 42, of 34 Wilsons Crossing Road in Auburn, New Hampshire, was arrested for speeding and driving with his license suspended for operating under the influence of liquor.

4:41 p.m.: A request for the Fire Department to bring in a stair chair to get an intoxicated Paul Sullivan in from his home at 20 Birchwood Road down the stairs was cancelled when police instead arrested him. The 51-year-old was arrested for assault and battery on a police officer and resisting arrest.

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Gather at town common at 1009 Main St. from 9 - 2 p.m. and volunteer to pick up trash, clean around Long Pond, help clean up the Shawshen River, and work on special open space projects.

Additional Earth Week

events include a recycling programs presented by MassDEP on May 1 and documentaries Facing the Surge and Straws on May 3 at the Tewksbury Public Library, as well as the iNaturalist City Challenge info session April 20 at the TPL.

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## Local reps out and about

Representative David Robertson and Senator Bruce Tarr were happy to witness the annual Installation of Officers ceremony of the Wilmington Minutemen. If you have a desire to have fun preserving and presenting colonial life, the Wilmington Minutemen are seeking new members for involvements in their various parades, encampments and other events. Contact Frank West at 978-658-1754 to learn more. Pictured are Private Mike Bodnar, Private Karen West, Lt Hugh McNeil, State Senator Bruce Tarr, Company Captain Frank West, Company Sgt Mike Kelley, State Rep Dave Robertson, Private Nanci Robinson (Photo credit: Bruce Tarr)

# Olin added to list of sites that require immediate action

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erty-wide cleanup of historical surficial mine waste contamination proposed by the new owners, which will also allow for the beneficial re-use of the property and potentially create significant economic benefit for the local community.

The new property owners intend to re-open a former cobalt mine, which could employ hundreds of residents. EPA and the new owners signed an Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent to conduct the work. Site-wide, the EPA has completed the remediation of over 626,000 cubic yards of soil at more than 1,900 residential properties in and around Fredericktown, in addition to cleaning up approximately 87 acres of mine waste.

EPA's response actions have resulted in a significant reduction of elevated blood lead in

children throughout Madison County where the percentage has dropped from around 27 percent in 1996, to less than two percent today.

EPA released a draft strategic plan to advance the cleanup of the Tar Creek Superfund site on March 11, 2019. The release of the strategic plan fulfills two major milestones identified for the site on the Administrator's Emphasis List. The first milestone required identification and evaluation of opportunities to accelerate site cleanup. The second milestone compelled EPA and the Bureau of Indian Affairs to work with the Quapaw Nation to establish the tribe's ability to establish institutional controls on their properties.

Some near-term cleanup actions include the partial deletion of up to 5,000 acres, amending the 2008 record of decision for mining waste, and issuing a new record of decision for the watersheds. Long-term actions include exploring innovative technologies to expedite the cleanup and identifying additional re-use opportunities. Prior cleanup activities at the site resulted in a significant reduction of elevated blood lead levels in children from 35 percent to 4 percent.

The Olin Chemical Superfund site was added to the Administrator's Emphasis List with the goal of expediting the selection of a remedy to remediate soil, surface water, and areas of highest groundwater contamination. EPA also hopes to work cooperatively with developers and local officials regarding potential reuse plans for the former Olin property.

The site was originally added to the National Priorities List in April 2006. Under the Trump Administration, the Superfund program has reemerged as a priority to fulfill the EPA's core mission of protecting human health and the environment.

Background

EPA established the Administrator's Emphasis List in December 2017 in response to recommendations from EPA's Superfund Task Force. Each site on the Administrator's Emphasis List has a short-term milestone to provide the basis for tracking progress at the site. EPA will consider removing a site from the list once the milestone is achieved. Removal from the Administrator's Emphasis List does not change the site's status on the National Priorities List.

EPA remains dedicated to addressing risks at all Superfund sites, not just those on the Administrator's Emphasis List. The Superfund Task Force Recommendations are aimed at expediting cleanup

at all Superfund sites. EPA continues to accelerate progress at Superfund sites across the country.

The updated Administrator's Emphasis List is available on the agency's website at

<https://www.epa.gov/superfund/superfund-sites-targeted-immediate-intense-action>

The latest information on the work of the Superfund Task Force is available at

<https://www.epa.gov/superfund/superfund-task-force-recommendations-2018-update>

Administrator Wheeler and Special Counsel Peter Wright have recused themselves at this time from participating in any of these particular matters that involve any of their former clients or former employers in the preceding two years.

## Board discusses dealing with new agenda topics

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noted that the recommendations would ensure compliance with open meeting law.

According to the specified procedure, members can bring up an issue in the two weeks prior to the meeting in order to have it placed on the agenda.

da. If an issue comes up within 48 hours of the meeting, members can bring it forward during new business for discussion at a future meeting.

"(The announcements portion) just gives us another opportunity to make sure it's discussed at a future meeting," said Bendel.

### Book Stew Review

## 'The Lightkeepers' by Abby Geni

By EILEEN MACDOUGALL

This adventurous novel places you with a team of biologists working on the godforsaken Farallon Islands off the coast of California.

"The Miwok tribe of Native Americans imagined it to be an earthly hell where the souls of the damned were sent to live in discomfort and loneliness."

Newly arrived is Miranda, a nature photographer, who is still reeling from the loss of her mother when she was a teen. The islands and their inhabitants are

the main characters of the novel — sharks, whales, birds — breeding, feeding, fledging, and there is a unique season for each species.

The humans are rugged as well, and each has their reasons for taking on such a difficult assignment. The terrain is treacherous, as are the interactions and deprivations. This is a brilliantly written, riveting tale in which the humans interlopers and the non-human residents are in constant inter-and-intra species conflict. It is hard for the reader to pack up and go home.

## Book Stew: Magical Memoir

WILMINGTON — The April Book Stew episode is very special to host Eileen MacDougall because her BFF (Best Friend Forever) has published her memoir!

With her guest Jane Keddy, author and graphic artist from the Gloucester Finish Line Writer's Group, there's big fun and laughs as they reminisce about the boyfriends, bottles of beer brewed under the kitchen sink, and the dive bars of 1970's Cambridge in Jane's "Serial Monogamy."

Please check out the new Book Stew episode on WCTV on Tuesdays at 1 p.m., Wednesdays at 8 p.m., Friday at 7 p.m., and Saturdays at noon.

To watch online, use this link to watch the latest episode: <https://wilmington.vod.castus.tv/vod/?video=5a5af4e5-c948-488d-a10d-bfed3c5648ee>

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27 Main in Andover today

## Wilmington company to help change downtown Andover

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the heart of downtown Andover," said John Pearson, Channel's project architect. "The design of 27 Main St. creates a new identity and vitality at a significant address in Andover center."

Pearson and the design team, headed by Greg Wiech, Channel's design director, have expanded the existing elevated terrace at the building front and created a new front door by means of new stairs, clad in porcelain tile, up from the sidewalk and a new two-story projecting bay above the stairs. The restaurant front on the main floor will feature a movable glass wall opening onto the elevated terrace. Fabric awnings will extend over the terrace, and painted steel brackets and tubes can be used for hanging planters and decorative treatments.

"Excited" is the word used by each of the three tenants who have already contracted to move into the building, and space is still available for ad-

ditional tenants.

"It's highly unique. It's going to raise the bar for other developers in downtown Andover," said Jack O'Donohue, managing partner of Touchstone Closing, the law firm that will occupy 7,000 square feet on the upper level.

Moving from his current offices across the street, "it was important for us to stay in downtown Andover and to be on one floor. How happy we are to be working with Channel to create our new space."

New to Andover will be Kidcasso, which conducts fine arts classes for children "from high chair to high school," according to Laura-Marie Small, Kidcasso founder and art educator. "It's a really cool building, and we're a business that's grounded in being part of the downtown community."

Kidcasso has operated in Newton and Wakefield for the past 12 years and will be relocating from its current temporary location on Park Street in Andover.

"We're excited for this opportunity for growth and a greater connection," she said.

The third tenant is very familiar to those who frequent downtown Andover: Paul LaRosa, chef and owner of LaRosa's, is planning to launch another addition to the restaurant scene. While still running LaRosa's on Barnard Street, his new European-style restaurant will be located on the main level of 27 Main St. and will feature an Italian and French flair to steaks and fish, white tablecloths, three-season dining on the elevated terrace overlooking Main Street, and valet parking on weekends. LaRosa hopes Andover residents will no longer have to travel to Boston or Burlington for fine dining.

"I like to be a part of everything in town," he said.

The 27 Main St. building is another chapter in Channel Building Company's long history and impact on downtown Andover. Founded by Robert Webster in the 1960s as a new construction company, Channel has renovated the Mus-



John Pearson, Channel Building Company architect, and Tom Callahan, senior project superintendent, look at the framing for the new addition at the front entrance of 27 Main St. They are standing on what will be a sidewalk terrace for three-season dining.

(Courtesy photos)

grove Building at 2 Elm Square, the Barnard Building at 10-16 Main St., and multiple buildings along both sides of Main Street.

Regarding the current project at 27 Main St., Jerry Diorio, Channel's chief operations officer, said, "We're adding pizzazz to Main Street. The view from the second floor windows is spectacular."

One challenge of the current project was the tight time schedule, especially affected by September's gas catastrophe.

"We needed heat to do the work, and we had to relocate

gas meters to make the renovations," Diorio said, adding that there are hidden surprises in every building renovation. "The guts of the building are now brand new, including heating and cooling systems, electrical work, gas, stone, and stainless steel railings."

Supervising the work is Tom Callahan, senior project superintendent.

"The Town of Andover was great to work with," said Diorio. "We really appreciate the inspection services, headed by Chris Clemente, building commissioner. They were so helpful."

The space at 27 Main St. has a

history with names familiar to longtime residents. The site originally contained the Barnard Building, the Draper Building and the Pettinghill-Swift Building. Some of the businesses previously on the site include Michael Jays dress shop, Colpitt's Travel, Personal Touch gift shop, the Taylor Shop, Andover Savings Bank, Nazarian's Jewelry, and Walden Books.

Paul Kneeland, developer and Channel Building Company president, concluded, "The transformation is awesome, when you compare what we started with and what we've got."



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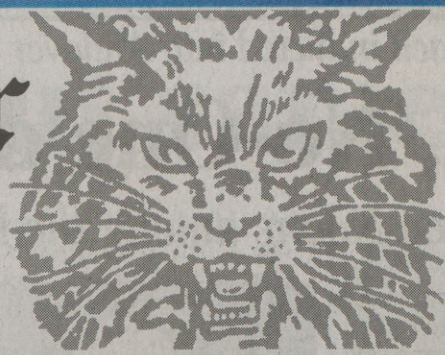
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Competing Friday and Saturday at Jr. World Championships in Italy

# Beauregard is soaring to new heights

19-year-old among best Freestyle Skiers in the World

By JAMIE POTE  
Sports Editor

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KILLINGTON, VT/WILMINGTON - After completing his sophomore year at Wilmington High School, Ian Beauregard made a decision that has changed his life dramatically. He decided to leave Wildcat Country, the soccer and track teams, and spend his life in Vermont, living, working and training year-round at Killington Mountain.

That decision has helped him reach incredible heights, literally and figuratively. The 19-year-old is currently representing the United States by taking part in the Junior World Championships Freestyle

Skiing event being held in Chiesa Valmalenc, Italy, with the competition taking place on Friday and Saturday.

This is the second straight appearance in the World Jr. Championships (ages 14-19) for Beauregard. Last year in Sweden, he finished seventh in dual mogul competition and also 20th in singles.

He is just one of four athletes from the country to be named to this year's team, with two others that also compete for the Killington Mountain School (KMS), his teammates Alex Lewis and Kalman Heims. Having three skiers from the same state nevermind team is absolutely incredible, considering fellow KMS teammate Hannah Soars, is the

only member of the U.S. Ski team, who is not from Colorado or Utah. Last year, Beauregard joined Soars and Heims in Sweden.

According to a press release by KMS, "Junior World Cup Team qualification is based on the top two juniors on the 2019 (North American) Tour standings, as well as the 2018 & 2019 U.S. Junior National Champions.

Heims, Beauregard and Lewis finished the NorAm tour as the top three juniors in the overall standings. With only two spots awarded to the NorAm tour finishes, the team needed a victory at the 2019 US Junior Nationals to secure all three qualifications. Kalman Heims stepped up with a victory at the U.S.

Juniors to ensure himself and his teammates qualification to Junior World Championships."

About an hour before boarding his flight on Sunday afternoon, Beauregard was asked about qualifying for the elite competition.

"I qualified last year which was great but I think this year was harder competition," said Beauregard. "They pick four and two of my teammates from up here are also going so that's really pretty cool to have three of the four people on the male team come from Killington. Last year I did pretty well. I messed up a bit in singles."

Beauregard was also asked about knowing that he finished seventh in the entire world in duals and 20th in the entire world in moguls, and what that means to him.

"People get all caught up in points and your place finish and stuff like that, but at the same time for me it's just about skiing," he said. "It's about the sport and how passionate you are about it more than the results. (To finish seventh in the world) is really cool and

pretty surreal, but at the same time it's just another day. I believe in myself and I know I belong there."

His coach Kris Pepe certainly echoed those comments and was asked if there's a possibility of Beauregard reaching Olympic Status?

"I think Ian is one of the top skiers in the country, especially at his age of 19," said Pepe. "He has proven that by qualifying for the World Cup. We're all thinking he can make the Olympics (someday). It's definitely a target."

Ian qualified for and competed in his first World Cup event at Whiteface Mountain, Lake Placid, on January 18, 2019. The event was won by Benjamin Cavet of France with the top placing American and 2018 Olympian Casey Andringa taking fourth.

## HITTING THE SLOPES

Around the time that Ian was entering elementary school, he put on skis and quickly started competing.

"I've been skiing Killington my whole life," said Ian, who has a younger sister Samantha, a senior at WHS.

"My Dad (Michael) was also a mogul skier and a member of the US Ski Team. I got into the sport and Killington is like a home base for mogul skiing and I just started loving it right away. I think I did my first competition when I was six or seven years old and have been doing it ever since."

Ian said that his Dad won the North American Cup in 1991 and then joined the US Ski team after that. Michael grew up in Bridgewater, Vermont, which is right outside of Killington, before moving to Wilmington to start his family.

Ian explained that the sport has completely changed since his father took home his own trophies.

"It's a whole different level now," he answered. "Everybody does very intense warm-ups, very intense training and the trick level has gone up a lot. The quality of the landing of the jump has also gone up a lot. When my Dad was skiing, they weren't even jumping. They were doing tricks off the moguls. They would get to the mogul, get into the air and do a spread-eagle or

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After his sophomore year at WHS, Ian Beauregard decided to transfer to the Killington Mountain School. He graduated from the school in 2017 and has since expanded his career in competitive freestyle-skiing, currently ranked as one of the best in the world in his age group. In these three pictures, he is shown competing in both singles and dual moguls during different prestigious events this past year. (courtesy photos).

## WHS Girls Tennis Preview

# 'Cats picturing a banner season

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WILMINGTON - The past few seasons have seen the Wilmington High Girls Tennis team show steady improvement, going from a 4-16 season in 2016 to a 12-7 campaign in 2017 including the first tournament win in program history, and finally last season's 11-7 record where they lost in the first round of the state tournament to Amesbury.

The improvement has been nothing short of amazing, and the best news for the Wildcats is much of that improvement was led by a young core group of players, many of whom will return to the team this season as they try to lead the Wildcats to

even loftier heights.

While the Wildcats have lost their talented second doubles combination of Lauren Field and Jill Roche, along with half of their first doubles combination in Krista Brown, they will return all three of their singles players from last season as well as one doubles player.

Needless to say, there is plenty of optimism for head coach Matt Hackett and the rest of the Wildcats.

"Without a doubt, the girls we lost will be missed, but we felt like we had a strong team last year and we bring a lot back from that team," Hackett said. "To bring all three seniors back is like a coach's dream come true. And even in doubles, we

have three new spots to fill. But we have a lot of depth with this team, so we feel confident that we will be able to do that."

Leading the way among those returning singles players will be senior Emily Hill, who has been the Wildcats No. 1 singles player since her freshman year. Hill has obviously always had tremendous talent, but she also continues to work on her game, just as she did this off-season.

"It's a coach's dream to be able to pencil is someone like that for the past four years," Hackett said. "Most coaches don't have that and I have been fortunate to have her for four straight

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## Former WHS Field Hockey Coach inducted into Andover High Hall of Fame

# As a person and coach, No-One deserves this more

## Coach Maureen Noone among the best

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ANDOVER/WILMINGTON – Twenty-one years after leaving Wilmington High School with two league titles as a head field hockey coach and two state championship titles as an assistant coach in softball, Maureen Noone was inducted into the Andover High School Athletic Hall of Fame as not only one of the school's most prolific coaches in athletics history, but among one of the all-time greats in state history.

On Friday night, Noone was inducted along with a handful of other well-deserved athletes, coaches and teams. Among the rest of the inductees included the back-to-back state championship teams she guided in 2010 and 11 (while she won a third in 2017) as well as former standout player Stephanie Casper, who after playing for Noone, had an outstanding career at Northeastern University.

In three years at WHS, Noone had a record of 32-13-9, won two league titles and made three state tournament appearances. She resigned in May of 1998 to take the same position at Andover. All she's done there is compile an incredible overall record of 326-53-55, which includes the three state championship titles, 14 Merrimack Valley Conference titles and count them eleven losses in the last six years combined (just six in the regular season).

"This (Hall of Fame induction) caught me totally by surprise," said Noone, who has been a longtime special education teacher in the Wilmington Public School system. "When I found out I was just thrilled to also hear that our 2010 and 2011 teams and Steph Casper were being inducted - I never expected to be inducted as a coach."

"The past few months leading up to Friday night allowed me to reflect at how lucky I was when Jim Tildsley encouraged me to apply for the opening at AHS, (former) Athletic Director Jim Hurley hired me, along with my friend MaryAnn Gillis (my longtime assistant coach) from Wilmington."

### STARTING OUT

Noone grew up in Stoneham and was an outstanding athlete, which included excelling in softball. During her junior year of 1980, she helped the Spartans finish 17-1, win the Middlesex League title and become the program's first team to ever qualify for the state tournament. Despite

missing 13 games that year due to a broken collarbone she suffered during a collision at home plate, Noone still battled .362 and was voted as a league all-star. That 1980 team was inducted into the Stoneham High School Hall of Fame in 2010.

Noone, who also excelled in a various number of other sports between volleyball and basketball, graduated from SHS in 1981 and enrolled at Fitchburg State College and later earned a Masters at Cambridge College. It was during her freshman year where she ended up having surgery on her ailing shoulder, which ended her playing days but started her coaching days.

"My high school softball coach Dick Burnham asked me to come back and help him and that's how it all started," she said.

Noone went back and helped Stoneham and in addition she became the Jr. High Field Hockey Coach. Then in 1989 she came to Wilmington and served as the JV coach in several different sports, volleyball, basketball, softball and then two years of field hockey. She was the JV coach of the softball team that won back-to-back state titles in 1993 and '94. Those same two years she was the JV Field Hockey coach under Hall of Fame coach Jan Urquhart, who had the varsity job for three years compiling a 19-8-5 record and made three state tournament appearances. That stint for Urquhart came after serving 22 years as an assistant for Jan Cassidy-Wood, who had a remarkable 223-38-52 record with 16 state tournament appearances and 10 league titles during her Hall of Fame career.

Noone was named the fifth WHS coach in program history (four have since followed) before the 1995 season. She was behind the bench for those three state tournament seasons, including coaching now WHS Hall of Famers Leanne Harris, Catherine Townsend and Julie Gillis, while Patrice Mendoza, the team's goalie at the time, is enshrined into the UMass-Lowell Hall of Fame.

Noone's three years at Wilmington with her 21 at Andover, gives her a combined record of 358-66-64, including 16 league titles coming in 24 years.

On the suggestion of Tildsley - the former WHS Girls' Basketball coach who left the winter before to also take the same position at Andover High which included winning three state championship titles of his own - Noone applied for the position at Andover in the spring of 1998.

"When I first knew about (the position), I didn't go in wholeheartedly," Noone said to this reporter at the time of the announcement back in '98. "After the first meeting, I became very impressed with (Hurley), with the (entire AHS Athletic) program, with the new and neat ideas, and the facilities. They have a brand new field house so you can play in case it rains or whatever. We have our own practice field and our field play on for games - everything is right there, every sport, every level plays right there. It's really something. Plus they have three levels of play including a freshman team."

The decision wasn't made overnight. Noone really contemplated knowing she had nothing but respect and love for the players at WHS, who still is still friendly with today, including former WHS coach Jodi (McKenzie) Campbell.

"Once MaryAnn said that she wanted to go, then that really made me think about it and made it easier for me," said Noone back in the '98 interview. "I will really miss the kids. I had a lot of fun in Wilmington. But I didn't think I could pass this opportunity up. It's time for a change."

During her stay at WHS, between field hockey and serving as the assistant softball coach under another Hall of Famer Paul Lyman and fellow Hall of Fame pitching coach Jake Townsend, Noone was part of two state championship titles and four league titles over a five-year period.

"Leaving the kids in Wilmington was the hardest decision," she said. "I love the girls and have always maintained a great friendship with many of them. I have attended weddings, birthdays and other celebrations with them. I was lucky to have MaryAnn who helped me at Wilmington and then the transition to Andover for the first three years."

"I also had the pleasure of learning from Paul Lyman with softball state championship experiences and understood the commitment to the team. Also, Jan Urquhart helped me so much in field hockey and she continues to come to my games and sends me encouraging messages."

### AN INSTANT DYNASTY

When Noone took over at Andover, it was believed at the time that the team had qualified for the state tournament just once in the previous 20 years or so.

"When (Noone) started



On Friday night, Maureen Noone (third from left) was inducted into the Andover High School Hall of Fame. Joining her on the special night included her current assistant coaches from left, Billy Beauchesne, Dan Casper and Tameka Geasslen. (courtesy photo)

here, basically all we got for (players) were soccer castoffs, and the very first year, she put us in the playoffs for the time in many years," said assistant coach Dan Casper in a Boston Globe story from September of 2017.

Casper's two daughters both played for Noone - Ellen went to Union and Stephanie, who was also inducted on Friday, went to NU. It wasn't until years after Stephanie graduated when her father became Noone's assistant. Since the first day that Noone took over, Andover has been the cream of the crop in Division 1 North year-after-year, while she has sent numerous and numerous players onto elite college programs.

As a coach, Noone is tough, demanding, extremely fair, organized and she is also extremely calm in all situations. She doesn't get rattled, she doesn't yell, but certainly gets her point across. In addition to all of that, she has a big soft side, which is filled with tremendous care, love, respect for people, while also having a terrific sense of humor.

In that same Globe story, Noone was asked about her "Bill Belichick style" and her answer explains why she has over 350 wins and three state titles.

"If we came out and fooled around in practice and had a great time, that's fine, but that's what they're going to do in a game," she said. "If you don't raise the bar and I raise your expectations,

you're gonna continue getting kids that really don't want to commit, and I don't think it's fair to the kids that wants to."

One of Noone's players from last year, Emma Farnham, was asked by the Globe about Noone's 'tough love' coaching style.

"You know that from the start in this program, it's a full commitment," said Farnham to the Globe. "It's a lot of work but it's so worth it in the end. It's nothing personal, so I think all of us really take it as constructive criticism which makes us work harder, and we get better from it."

Farnham was one of the members of the state championship team from 2017. The Warriors finished 22-0-1, including winning the MVC, Division 1 North, Division 1 Eastern Mass and then the Division 1 state title over Longmeadow. That was the program's third state championship title this decade, joining the 2010 and '11 squads. Noone - who this past year guided the team to the North Sectional Final including a big upset over No. 1 seed Acton-Boxboro - has no plans on retiring as coach, but was asked about her favorite memories since joining Andover.

"The obvious ones may be the police escorts from the state championship games," she said. "Others really include the late Sunday practices when it's so quiet and you really get to work with the players and see their unique personalities. I have also enjoyed watching

so many players succeed at the next level in college, whether it's a club team, or Division 1, 2 or 3. Coaching with so many former players and watching so many of them get into teaching and coaching is always a top highlight."

With Friday's event, Noone is now inducted into the AHS Hall of Fame as a coach, which adds to being part of the two WHS Softball teams, the two AHS Field Hockey teams, the Stoneham High Softball team, as well as her 2014 induction into the New Agenda Hall of Fame of New England for her contributions to athletics.

She said all of those accolades, as well as the three state titles, 16 league titles and over 350 wins, are all because of the large group of people who helped her along the way starting from Stoneham to Wilmington to Andover and now into the Andover High School Hall of Fame as one of the school's all-time best coaches.

"I want to thank my parents who supported and encouraged me playing all sports, even little league baseball when there were no organized softball teams," said Noone. "I want to thank MaryAnn Gillis, Paul Lyman, Dick Burnham, the athletic directors at Andover High, parents of players, the current coaches (on my staff) Dan Casper, Billy Beauchesne, Tameka Geasslen, Cat Gross, as well as the past and current players and coaches from WHS and AHS."

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## Where's the Action?

Day	Date	Sport	Opponent	Time
<b>Wilmington High Sports</b>				
Thursday	April 4	V Girls Tennis	at Belmont	4:00 pm
Thursday	April 4	V Boys Tennis	vs Belmont	4:00 pm
Tuesday	April 9	V Girls Lacrosse	vs Woburn	4:00 pm
Tuesday	April 9	V Girls Tennis	vs Reading	4:00 pm
Tuesday	April 9	V Boys Tennis	at Reading	4:00 pm
Tuesday	April 9	V Boys Lacrosse	at Woburn	4:15 pm
Wednesday	April 10	Boys/Girls Track	vs Burlington	4:00 pm
<b>Shawsheen Tech Sports</b>				
Thursday	April 4	V Boys Lacrosse	at Belmont	4:00 pm
Thursday	April 4	Boys/Girls Track	at Nashoba Tech	4:00 pm
Friday	April 5	V Tennis	at Nashoba Tech	4:00 pm
Monday	April 8	V Softball	vs Bedford	4:00 pm
Monday	April 8	V Girls Lacrosse	vs Mystic Valley	4:00 pm
Monday	April 8	V Baseball	vs Nashoba Tech	4:00 pm
Tuesday	April 9	V Softball	vs Northeast	4:00 pm
Tuesday	April 9	V Boys Lacrosse	vs Nashoba Tech	4:00 pm
Wednesday	April 10	V Boys Lacrosse	vs Minuteman	4:00 pm
Wednesday	April 10	V Baseball	at Whittier Tech	4:00 pm
Wednesday	April 10	V Girls Lacrosse	at Lynnfield	4:00 pm
Wednesday	April 10	V Tennis	at Gr. Lawrence	4:00 pm





# New coach but same goals: playoffs

"So far the transition has

"It is never easy to replace players that meant a lot to your team and your pro-

The captains of the WHS Varsity Boys Lacrosse team includes from left, Benjamin Wright, Connor Benoit and Andrew Sullivan. (photo by Bob DeChiara)

Players age 18+ are eligi-

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The Wildcats will also bring back several other players who got experience last season and will take on increased roles this season.

Several new players will also be looking to make their mark with the Wildcats, including junior Taylor Padulsky, sophomores Shane Penney and

"I will always feel like  
Wilmington Lacrosse can  
compete for a tournament

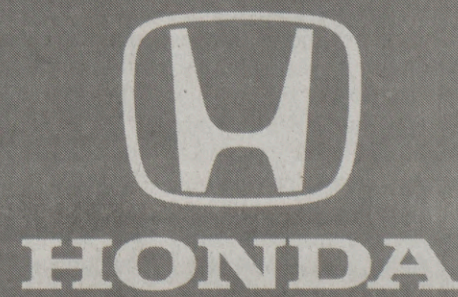
"Some of the top teams we will be facing are certainly Melrose, Winchester, and Wakefield. However, like I said, the Middlesex is a competitive league and every team has a shot."

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## WHS Boys Tennis Preview

## With entire roster back intact, Wildcats hoping to serve up more victories

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WILMINGTON -- While last season's 4-13 record may not have been exactly what the Wilmington High Boys Tennis team was looking for in terms of wins and losses, the season was a great success in that many of the Wildcats players gained a tremendous amount of experience, with many of them playing at the varsity level for the first time.

The better news for the Wildcats is that the entire lineup from last year's squad will be returning, with each of the players now knowing what it takes to compete at the varsity level in the ultra competitive Middlesex League Freedom Division.

"I think the experience they got last year will definitely help them," Wilmington coach Rob Mailey said. "We have

going to be better."

While Wildcats are more experienced, they are also still very young, starting at first singles where Anay Gandhi will be back for his third season with the team despite being just a freshman after joining the team as a seventh grader.

"Anay has been playing indoors all winter and he is looking very good," Mailey said. "He is also bigger and stronger and he is playing a little more of an aggressive style. He is also mentally strong as well, so he is ready to go."

Senior Chris Spinazola will return to the Wildcats to not only fill the number two singles slot, but also to serve as the team's only captain.

"Chris is a physically strong, steady player and he doesn't make many errors. He is a three-sport athlete (soccer, hockey and tennis), and he is a very solid contributor for us," Mailey said. But it is more than just his

Spinazola) who are sophomores or younger, with three players only being seventh graders.

"The reason he is captain goes way beyond the fact that he is a senior and a three sport varsity athlete," Mailey said. "He is a member of the National Honor Society, and he leads by example. He is also a very good communicator and is the type of captain any coach would love to have. All of the kids look up to him and he is a great role model for the younger kids."

At third singles, the Wildcats will be looking to Anay's younger brother Anuj Gandhi, a seventh grader, to contribute some big wins for the team. Anuj made his varsity debut last season as a sixth grader and Mailey thinks that his experience will help him this season.

"He did very well last year, and he has also gotten bigger and stronger," Mailey said. "He played over the winter. He had a good year last year and he will be even better this season."

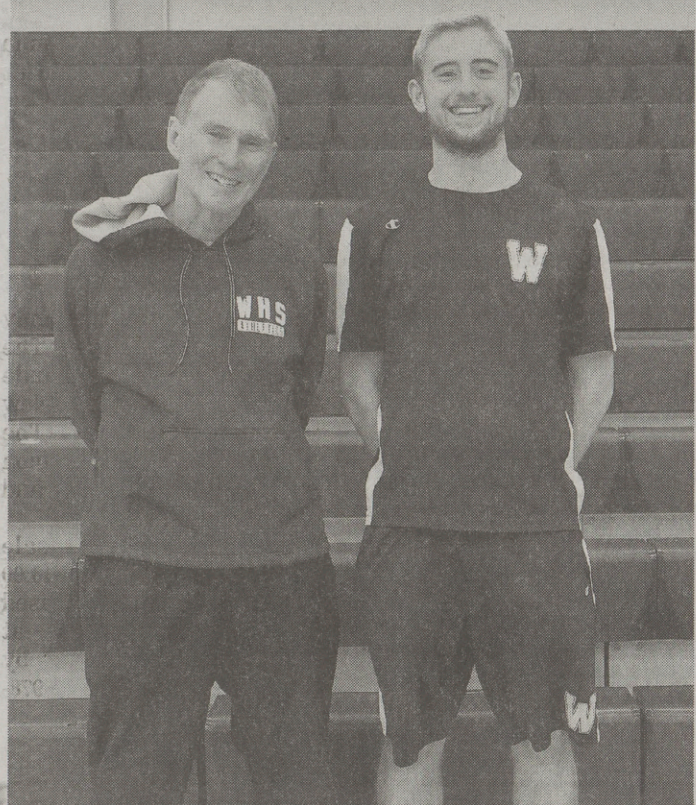
Sophomore Colby Scaplen and eighth grader Owen Mitchell will play first double this season after seeing time in that role a year ago.

"They played some together last year and did well and they had a real good scrimmage against Tewksbury this week," Mailey said. "If they can continue to mesh well, they will take some pressure off our singles players."

Sophomore Jared Benoit and freshman Alexander Paquet will play second doubles to start the season, but others will compete for those two slots as well.

"Second doubles could be somewhere where we get to see some of our younger players get playing time," Mailey said. "We have a lot of them who are looking pretty good, so we feel good about our chances."

The Wildcats opened their season on Wednesday against Woburn High School, with results not available as of press time, and will follow that with a matchup against Belmont on Thursday.



Wilmington High School Boys Tennis Coach Rob Mailey will look to his lone senior Chris Spinazola to lead things on and off the court this season. (photo by Bob DeChiara).

everyone back from last year's team, and I know everyone is going to be better. I don't know yet if it will reflect in wins and losses, but I do know everyone is

tennis ability that makes Spinazola so valuable to the Wildcats, as his leadership ability will be especially critical for a team that has 12 players (all except

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## Six Wrestlers compete at Nationals

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VIRGINIA BEACH, VA -- It was another great season for the Shawsheen Tech Wrestling team, as the Rams recently wrapped up a season which saw them win their 12th consecutive CAC title as well as their ninth vocational championship in the past ten years.

As a testament to just how great the Rams were this season, they sent six wrestlers to this past weekend's NHSCA High School National Championships in Virginia Beach, Virginia, where they competed against the top wrestlers in the nation.

"It was a great experience," Shawsheen coach Mark Donovan said. "The kids worked hard to get there. After the New England Tournament, we took Monday and Tuesday off and then got right back to work and practiced all the way through. These kids put in the work to get there."

Senior Omar Eldaly of Wilmington at 220 pounds and sophomore Frank Foti at 113 pounds each went 3-2 at the tournament, with Eldaly falling just one win shy of All-American status.

Eldaly wrapped up his incredible senior season and

career at 220 pounds by winning his first three matches of the tournament. He then suffering his first defeat of the season in the quarterfinals to the No. 2 ranked wrestler in the county.

Eldaly was eliminated in his next match with a loss in the consolation bracket, and closed out his senior season with a record of 60-2.

Eldaly began his weekend on Friday with a pin of Chance Carneal of Alabama in the first round. After that he defeated Samuel Huff of New Jersey by a score 9-2 in the round of 32, before pulling out a dramatic 12-11 win over Jerrell Belcher of North Carolina in the round of 16.

That win propelled him into the quarterfinals on Saturday where he squared off with top seeded Wyatt Hendrickson of Kansas, suffering his first loss of the season when he was pinned at the 2:41 mark.

Eldaly then closed out his career with a loss to Wade Wheeler of Virginia.

"I just can't say enough about Omar," Donovan said. "He was bummed out when he lost, but I told him that even though career is over, I never have to say goodbye to him, and that is really how I feel. What he has done over the past four years is unbe-

lievable."

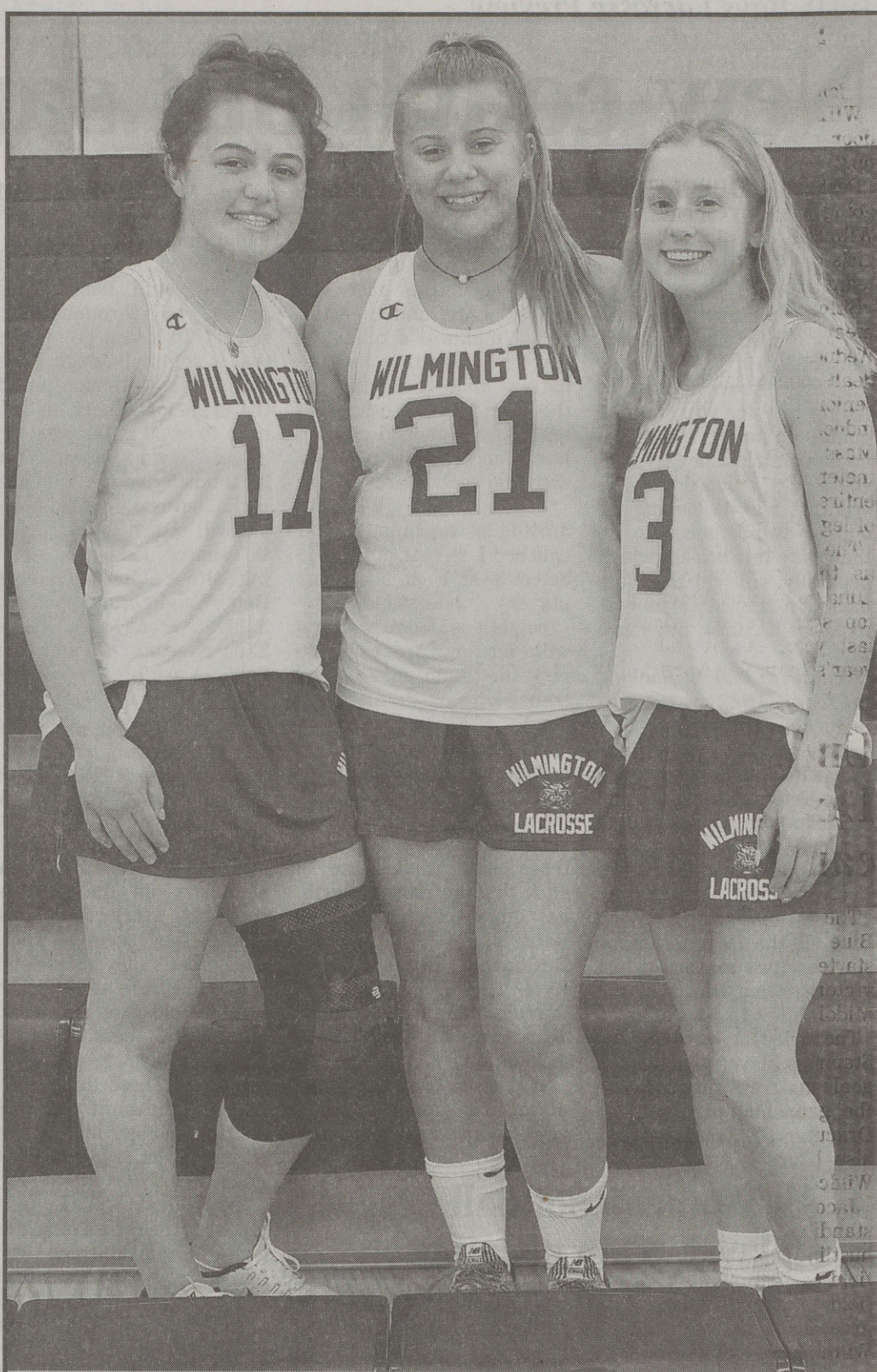
Foti also won his first three matches of the tournament, pinning Anthony Paolicelli of New York in just 41 seconds in his first match, before pinning Jayce Chenevert of Louisiana in 5:18, and beating Frank Diesso by a score of 12-7 in the round of 32.

Foti's great run came to an end in the round of 16 with a loss by pin to eventual finalist James Joplin of North Carolina, before being eliminated in the consolation round by Chris Williams of Nebraska.

"Frankie had a great tournament and a great season," Donovan said on Tuesday night. "He is at Dough Boy working out tonight, still trying to get better. I like to see that. He is just a sophomore and he is working his way up ladder and he is only going to get better."

Four other Shawsheen wrestlers also competed at the tournament, with seniors Stephan Saint-Juste (145), Vincent Foti (138), Brian Caldwell (126) and Austin Dube (113) all going 0-2 for the weekend.

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From left, this year's WHS Girls Lacrosse captains include, Ginamarie Mastroianni, Devin Lawrence and Samantha Burke. (photo by Bob DeChiara).

## Girls team shooting to turn things around in the win column

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WILMINGTON -- Record wise last season was obviously not a success for the Wilmington High Girls Lacrosse team, as the Wildcats suffered through an 0-18 campaign under the direction of former coach Ashley Kelley.

But if you look closer, the Wildcats were actually much more competitive than their winless record would indicate, as four of their losses came by just one goal, while two more came by just two goals, and they were competitive in several other games as well.

There is still plenty of work to be done of course if the Wildcats hope to climb the standings in the Middlesex League, but there is also plenty of reason for optimism as they prepare to open their season on April 9 against Woburn.

The Wildcats will be led this season by new head coach Bill Manchester, who takes over for Kelley. Kelley guided the Wildcats for the past four seasons before stepping down at the end of last season to further her education, and while Manchester is new to the Wilmington Lacrosse program, he is already impressed with what he has seen from his new players.

"It took me a few days to get a feel for what I want our practices to look like. There is so much to work on and we are limited with our time on the turf," Manchester said. "The girls have been amazing with how hard that they have been working. The captains and ALL the seniors in general have been great role models during drills and scrimmages during practice. It has really helped to make the transition a smooth one."

"I've had a blast getting to know the girls and watching them slowly improve each day. Hopefully, we can get that to translate to game situations!"

The Wildcats will be looking to continue to improve

despite losing seven seniors off of last year's squad, including top scorers Lauren D'Angelo and Olivia Carpenito, along with Ashley Rooney, Danielle Silva, Isabella Lamothe, Mia O'Connell and Megan Thomas, but they also bring back several players who saw a lot of playing time last season.

Leading the way among those returning players are senior captains Gina Mastroianni and Devin Lawrence, who are both defenders, along with junior captain Sam Burke, an attack/midfielder.

"The captains are all very talented, very hard working, have a great understanding of the game and have the respect of their teammates," Manchester said. "They have really helped in making us become a team - one unit."

Several other experienced players will also return to the fold, including senior midfielders Ashlynn Finn, Cassidy Collins and Natalie Gosselin, along with senior attack Lexi Williams and senior defender Jillian Cosman-Cyrus.

Junior attack Jessie McCullough will also return to the team, along with sophomore midfielder Ida Bishop and sophomore defender Zoe DeRose.

Two of the biggest keys to the Wildcats success this season will also be returning, with senior Megan Santry and sophomore Shannon Murphy both ready to step back into their roles.

"Both Megan and Shannon are very talented. They will both play throughout the year. We will either split games (half and half) or they will rotate games, but they will both play," Manchester said. "They have done a tremendous job, working with the defenders to let them know what kind of communication that we need to be successful at the defensive end. They have also worked well with each other and spent time mentoring our JV goalie."

While the goalie's primary job is of course to keep the ball out of their own net, Manchester is

hoping that his keepers will also help to kick start the Wildcats offense.

"Obviously, the object of the game is to score more goals than the other team," Manchester said. "Our goalies will both give us a great chance to shut down the other teams scoring opportunities. They have a very good idea of what we are trying to do on defense and have been really working on helping us improve our clearing/transition game."

Several newcomers will also be contributing to the Wildcats cause this season, including senior attacks Molly Foley and Meagan Pennie, senior defender Emma Rhind, junior defender Bridget O'Shea and sophomore defender Kylie DuCharme.

With Manchester being new to the Wilmington High program, he is also of course new to the Middlesex League, so he is not completely familiar with all of the Wildcats opponents as of yet. But right now he is more focused on getting his team ready to be at their best, regardless of their opponent.

"I have only really focused on Woburn, our first game. I know they are good. My goal right now is to get one win - our next game," Manchester said. "When we reach that goal we will adjust our focus to the next game. We had a great scrimmage at Shawsheen Tech. We did a lot of things really well, but we have many things that we have to get much better at."

"So our progress and focus over these next two weeks will have a huge impact on our season. It's really tough to judge, since I really have no way to tell the talent level of our opponents."

"I just hope that we can reach our potential very quickly. So far, the girls have been very good. I've tried to implement. Their attitudes, effort and teamwork have been impressive. We just need to keep building on that."



# With one (healthy) senior, Wilmington looking to track down some experience

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WILMINGTON - When one door closes, another opens up.

Perhaps, that's what is going to happen with the Wilmington High School girls outdoor track-and-field team this spring.

Before the team's dual meet season begins on Wednesday, the team was dealt some tough news when senior Emma Garrity, the indoor Division 4 Eastern Mass champion in the 600-meters, was ruled out for the entire season with a series of leg injuries.

The loss of Garrity, as well as the graduation of Lexi Luna, who was among the top sprinters in Division 3 last year, means that this year's team has some holes

in the line-up. Hopefully those spots will be filled in sooner rather than later.

"Unlike this past indoor season, I told the team we can attempt to push for a winning record when we reach Burlington (in the second meet of the season)," said second-year head coach Brian Schell. "Losing Emma in particular will greatly hinder that, however it just means that everyone is going to have to step up big against Burlington, Stoneham and Watertown."

"If we are unable to fair well against Burlington, we will switch gears and continue to build toward individual strengths and my plans for next year moving forward."

Luna and Garrity were among the team's top performances in each of the past two seasons, including helping the 'Cats finish 2-3 in last year's Middlesex League Dual Meet season.

Garrity went on to place seventh in the 800 at the D3 Meet, while, her teammates Hannah LaVita and Amie Russell also competed at the same meet.

LaVita, a junior, placed eighth in the high jump and Russell was 18th in the discus and 23rd in the shot put. Russell is the only senior on this year's team now that Garrity is out.

"As of right now I still stress the individual aspect of the sport," said Schell. "Athletes come and go whether it is to graduation like Lexi or Emma to injury. As a coach we are not just looking at the present but definitely the future as well. A lot of times too many rely on those individuals to get those first places and now I look at it as a wake up call we needed. It can be seen as a big sign that everyone needs to step up and that every place and depth in each event truly matters."

"I want others to use this as an opportunity to understand how much that off-season training came into play for Lexi and Emma and

for us to reach that level as a team, we all need to do it. We have the all around talent we still have not gained that true drive and push when it matters most and that is the off-season."

Russell, along with juniors Gianna Misuraca and Evelyn Miller-Nuzzo are the team's three captains.

"Gianna is coming off great cross-country and indoor track seasons and she will lead the distance crew," said Schell. "Evelyn will compete in multiple events, leading the distance crew, while she will also do the 400-hurdles, the long jump, high jump and probably be part of the 4x400 relay team."

"Amie will be leading the throwers, primarily in the shot put and discus. She was also the highest dual meet point scorer for us last year."

LaVita is coming off the indoor season where she cleared 5-foot-2 in the high jump and qualified for the All-State Meet.

Freshman Amanda Broussard will also be a key factor in this year's season, most likely participating in the 100, 200, 400 and as part of the 4x400 relay team.

"Amanda is coming off a solid indoor season as a freshmen qualifying in the 300 meters with a time of 44.5," said Schell. "She was also part of the 4x400 relay team with a 63 second split. She has great quickness to her which makes her a bigger threat in the longer sprints. Like everyone, we just got to work on building some strength, better running form and block work."

Providing depth across the board in a number of events includes Katie McLaughlin, Miriam Nelson, Ashlyn Buckley and Maggie Bourgeois.

The rest of the team includes juniors Donalissa Alphonse, Joanne Arulraj, Grace Foley, Allison Jordan, Juliana Patrone and Anna Rideout;



The captains of this year's WHS Girls Track team includes from left, junior Gianna Misuraca, senior Amie Russell and junior Evelyn Miller-Nuzzo. (photo by Bob DeChiara).

## Under-9 Boys Lax team earns a win

The Wilmington Boys U-9 Blue Youth lacrosse team started the season with a 7-3 victory over the Dracut Middies

The Wildcats were lead by Stephen Zella who had 6 goals and 1 assist to help put the game out of reach for Dracut. Nathan Ricciarelli also buried a goal for the Wildcats.

Jacob McDeavitt was outstanding in the transition hustling up and down the field every time he took the field. Jack Salvador did a great job making sure that Wilmington maintained possession of the ball in the offensive end of the field.

The tenacious defense of Tommy Conn and Grayson Lynch as well as the outstanding goalie play by Marc O'Toole made it very difficult for Dracut to get any rhythm going on offense and helped secure the win for the Wilmington team.

## WWE Wrestling coming to the Tsongas Arena, May 20

Sophomores Aaliyah Abel, Amber Flynn, Jessica Hayduk, Anja Jensen, Annabelle Kane, Ashley Lamonica, Alessia Puccio and Carissa Rubin;

Freshmen Angelyn Ciampa, Shea Cushing, Jenna Danieli, Kaitlyn Doherty, Olivia Erler, Emily Fothergill, Sarah LaVita, Madison Mulaa, Lillian Perriello, Quinn Proulx and Isabelle Puccio.

After opening with Melrose, Wilmington will host Burlington next Wednesday at 4:00 pm and that will be followed with another meet against Wakefield on the 24th.

The Tsongas Center at UMass Lowell and Spectra are proud to announce the return of WWE to Lowell with WWE Live at the Tsongas on Monday, May 20th, 2019. This will be the first time since 2016 that the world's most prestigious professional wrestler's will take to the ring in Lowell.

The night will be headlined by a Championship Match between Daniel Bryan and Kevin Owens. Also facing off

in the ring will be Randy Orton and AJ Styles. The night will also include appearances by The New Day, Charlotte Flair, The Miz, Becky Lynch, Samoa Joe, The Usos, Asuka, and more!

Tickets will go on sale Friday, March 29th at 10:00 A.M. and can be purchased at the arena, online at TsongasCenter.com, or by calling the box office at 978-934-5738.



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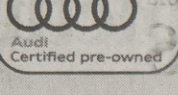
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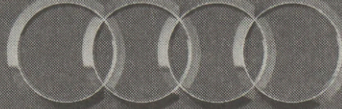
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# Beauregard soaring to new heights

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something like that. Now there's like a 15-meter landing, so we're going a lot bigger but also it's a lot better landing. We are now able to do much bigger and better tricks than they were able to do.

"I'm more of a purist than most people in the sport right now. I'm all about the turns, I'm all about keeping it technical and I try not to stray too far from where (the sport) once was. People think it's just about getting down the hill as fast as you can and doing tricks, but it's about keeping your legs together, making really nice turns, while pushing your pace over the course."

For those of you who are unfamiliar with the sport, the definition from US Ski Team competition guide is: "Freestyle skiing includes aeriels and moguls competition and consists of a skier performing flips and spins and while jumping, or skiing down a mogul-covered trail. Aerial skiing was popularized in the 1950s by Olympic alpine gold medalist Stein Eriksen. The International Ski Federation recognized freestyle as a sport in 1979, and the first FIS Freestyle Skiing World Cup was staged

1994 Games in Lillehammer.

"Mogul competition consists of one run of free skiing on a steep, heavily moguled course, stressing technical turns, aerial maneuvers and speed."

Ian competes in moguls and duals. In Mogul competition, he said, "you do a section of moguls into an air, with a landing pad. And then you do another set of moguls into an air (jump) and then a shorter section of moguls. (The scoring is based on) 60 percent of quality of your turns which is actually the most important part, 20 percent speed and then 20 percent jumps.

"You do one run with 100 people. You get your score and the top 16 come back and you do another run and the top six from the 16 go into the super finals. Then you run in the super finals. Most you would do is three runs.

"In duals, they set up a bracket, like tournament style and the No. 1 seed would go against the lowest seed and once you lose you're out. It'll continue until you get down to the final four and then you keep running until you have the final three."

and I beat him right at the line. It was a pretty cool thing."

## A BAG OF TRICKS

Ian described the scoring system and based on a 100-point score, 60 percent of it comes from the quality of a skier's turns, 20 percent from speed and the other 20 percent from jumps/tricks.

"I think my best strength is my turns," he said. "But with those turns and the quality of those turns, comes very electric speed. I'm also really not afraid of going big. It's a judged sport and judges look at a million runs a day so you want to impress them, you want them to say 'wow'."

Since arriving at KMS, Pepe said that Ian has done his share of impressing those who watch/judge/coach him.

"His best strength is his turns. He has probably the best turns in the sport," said Pepe. "He relies on them, he trusts his turns and that has helped him become probably the fastest mogul competitor in the world (at his age). His work ethic is relentless. Nothing is too hard for him. He is fully committed, year-round working and training



From left, KMS teammates Alex Lewis, Ian Beauregard and Kalman Heims will represent the United States this week competing at the World Junior Championships in Italy. (courtesy photo/KMS).



Wilmington resident Ian Beauregard doing one of his jumps/tricks, while competing in a recent freestyle skiing event. (courtesy photo).

in 1980, with the first FIS Freestyle World Ski Championships following in 1986 in Tignes, France. Freestyle skiing was a demonstration sport at the 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary. Mogul skiing was added as an official medal event at the 1992 Winter Olympics in Albertville as American Donna Weinbrecht won the first freestyle skiing gold medal in women's moguls. Aerials were to the Olympics at the

More recently, Ian has seemed to have more success in duals.

"I've had success in both, but I'm starting to find my groove in duals," he said. "At the Nationals, I didn't have a great performance in the singles, but I had a real good one in the duals, I finished sixth overall. This was at Waterville Valley in New Hampshire. I actually dualed the No. 1 seed in the United States, he's the fastest skier in the world

with 10-to-12 workouts a week in the summer and then about 25-to-30 hours a week in the winter, which is on top of having a job as well."

Besides the turns and the speed, mastering tricks is obviously an incredibly difficult task. Ian said that the KMS team works a lot in aerial training with trampolines, water ramps and airbags - basically he said it's a ramp that goes into a pool, more or less.

He explained that he is limiting his degree of difficulty with his jumps/tricks. He said he does a 'Cork-720', which is "an off axis back flip with a spin. The 720 is because it's two 360 degree spins in the air."

Beauregard also mentioned that he does a "Back Full Lay", which is a back flip layout, with his body completely straight, with a 360 degree move. It's described as a gymnastics move that we have all seen on television. He also does a 'Back X, which is a back flip with skis crossed, and you add the ski-grab while in the air.

"I have limited training in that stuff compared to most of the other members on the team, but I'm starting to catch up," he said. "Most of them have been doing that stuff since maybe 12 years old and I didn't start the water ramp until I got up here so maybe the summer of my junior year. I've been getting pretty good at it though."

## ELITE STATUS

Back in 2016, Ian competed in his first National Championships held in Colorado, where he finished 34th in moguls and 49th in double moguls. Since then he has competed in all kinds of elite events held all across the country and the world. In 2019 alone, as part of the Nor-AM CUP, in dual moguls, he finished second in British Columbia, third at

Stratton Mountain, sixth at Waterville Valley and eighth at Steamboat Ski and Resort, while in moguls, he enjoyed four top ten finishes, including a second at Stratton Mountain.

"I actually didn't win anything this year, surprisingly. I did the regional circuit, it's called the Eastern A Circuit, since I was maybe 12 or 13 years old and I did really well in that forever. From there I qualified for Nationals during my junior year (of high school) so at the beginning of the next season you go onto the US Selections. If you do well there and at Nationals, then you qualify for the Nor-Am. I'm now in my second season of Nor-Am.

"Last year I did pretty well and kind of came out of nowhere as no one was really expecting that. I didn't really have the tricks that I needed, but this year I've had a great season and had a breakthrough season. I was leading the Nor-Am series until (I got injured). I still did pretty well and finished fourth (overall)."

Now back for his second trip to the World Junior Championships, Beauregard was asked what his goals were for this competition.

"The goal is obviously to win this event because I know that I'm capable of it," he said. "I've been setting some really high personal goals for myself. My goal has been to beat everyone in the United States and to qualify for the World

Championships. It didn't happen. I have a goal and I also have a plan. My plan is to do well at Nor-Am, get into the World Cup and I did that."

Beauregard is hoping that another strong showing now in Italy could possibly open up more opportunities for him, perhaps even the Olympics?

"The Olympics is based off the US Ski team and World Cup results. This is a big stepping stone. It's a chance to show your stuff in front of the US Ski Team and being closer of being on the team. They will name the (US) team pretty much right after this event is over. It's really limited. There's only five or six guys on the team. I do think I have a shot, but we'll see. They are cutting down (the roster size), even smaller from what they had last year. I think it's just a process. Maybe I'm not quite ready for that (right now), but before I know it, I know I'm going to be there."

"If you make the US Ski Team, you are coached by their coaches, you have access to all of their facilities in Park City, you get to train there all summer and use the water ramps there. It's just a really good opportunity."

An opportunity that originally started back in 2015.

"I love skiing, I love being in Vermont, it's just amazing here. Being in the mountains is just really special," he said.

# Wildcat Girls Tennis team picturing a banner season

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years.

"She improved her stroke in the off-season. Not to say she had bad strokes before, but that is the level of attention to detail she brings to the game. She looks graceful out there, just effortless and smooth."

Junior Carolyn Roney will move in to the No. 2 singles slot, taking over for senior Lia Kourkoutos, who will drop down to third. Roney is coming off a phenomenal sophomore season where she lost only one match all season, and later avenged that loss by defeating that opponent later in season.

"She literally beat everybody she played last year," Hackett said. "She is another one who worked so hard on her game in the off-season. She worked on her swing and showed great improvement. I am blessed to have these kids that are willing to put the work in."

Kourkoutos will drop the third singles slot, where Hackett is expecting big things out of the senior after she had such a great season last year at second doubles.

"Lia had a great year last year. She is a multi-sport athlete, but she still managed to find time to work on her tennis in the off-season,"

Hackett said. "Her serve is now explosive."

Hackett has also been impressed with Kourkoutos' attitude about moving from second singles to third singles. While some athletes might feel slighted, Kourkoutos overcame any disappointment she may have felt in order to do what is best for the team.

"I told Lia and Carolyn that this can be a win-win for the team and a win-win for both of them," Hackett said. "One of them will get the challenge of playing an number two, while the one should have a really great year at number three."

"I am really lucky to have girls who have a team first attitude. They understand that you just play wherever you play, Each match still counts as one point, so they are all important."

Senior Jess D'Arco will be part of the Wildcats first doubles team, although she is battling an ankle injury at the moment, which will keep her out of the team's season opener on Wednesday against Woburn, but Hackett hopes to have her back the following week.

"Jess is such a great player that she could easily be playing singles. I call them

my top four, really," Hackett said. "But she is also another team first, class act player, who realizes that first doubles is where she helps the team most."

Jess will likely be joined in first doubles by her sister, sophomore Lauren D'Arco, who is already showing signs of being an emerging star.

"I know I sound like a broken record, but she is another one who worked hard on her game in the off-season," Hackett said. "She played over at the Woburn Racquet Club and she has been hitting with a lot of top spin and hitting more consistently. Some siblings might not be able to play together but Jess and Lauren get along great and they have a great chemistry between them."

Three more players will battle for the final two doubles slots with sophomores Jessica Murray, Johanna Robinson and Vidhi Shah all vying to earn a spot in the starting lineup.

A pair of newcomers to the team, freshman Alyssa Fricia and junior Angelica Loshak will also be looking to crack the lineup.

The deep and talented roster has Hackett very excited to start the season. As



The senior tri-captains on the 2019 WHS Girls Tennis team includes from left, Emily Hill, Jessica D'Arco and Lia Kourkoutos. (photo by Bob DeChiara).

tough as it is, Hackett is trying to strike a delicate balance between holding expectations down, while at the same time allowing his team to aim for the top of the league.

"I don't want to get too hyped up before we see what other teams have, but I feel like we can do very well," Hackett said. "It would be nice to be able to make the

tournament three years in a row, and it would be awesome to go back and get another win."

But the state tournament is not Hackett's only goal for this team.

"I took a picture in the gym the other day and pointed out to them that there is no girls tennis banner yet," Hackett said of the many banners in the Wilmington

High gym indicating league championships. "Burlington is standing in our way, but we were very competitive with them last season."

"They were strong last year and will be strong again this year, but winning a league title and hanging up that banner would be a great legacy for these girls, especially the seniors."





From left, this year's WHS Boys Outdoor Track-and-Field captains include Ben Packer, Max Duong, Samuel Vince, Kevin Elderd and Tyler Thomas. (photo by Bob DeChiara).

## Wildcats to battle in Middlesex League

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WILMINGTON - Between last year's outdoor season and this past indoor season, the Wilmington High School boys track program has had enjoyed successful regular seasons, sporting 3-2 and 4-1 records.  
After that, the team had some subpar performances at the Divisional Meets without sending any representatives to the All-State Meet in either season.  
Mike Kinney, now in his 18th year with the program and eighth as head coach, believes that could change over the course of the next few months.  
"We are coming off a strong winter season and are looking to be competitive for the Middlesex Freedom League title," he said. "We are a very balanced team and we have had a strong preseason."  
"If we can progress in the field events we should be able to compete with the best. Our strengths are experience in the hurdles and the distance events, overall depth and strong senior leadership."  
"Wilmington finished 3-2

during the regular season and then were ninth at the Middlesex League Championship Meet. The highlight from that day was Tyler Thomas finishing second in the discus throwing 125-04, while he was also eighth in the shot put tossing 41-04. He went on to place seventh at the D3 Meet in the discus.  
Thomas will be among one of the captains along with mid-distance runner Kevin Elderd, distance runner Ben Packer, hurdler Sam Vince and Max Duong, who will compete in sprinting and jumping events.  
Kevin Elderd was a part of the 4x800 relay team along with his brother Brian, Pat O'Mahony and Owen Surrence, who dropped a whopping 17 seconds to finish seventh at the D3 Meet. Also shining that day was Colin Rooney, who finished ninth in the pentathlon competition.  
"Rooney should be a high scorer for us. He is very athletic in the high jump, long jump and hurdles," said Kinney. "Sam Vince was undefeated in hurdles indoor so he should be valuable."  
"Distance group is strong with (Greg) Adamek,

Packer, the Elderd brothers, (Sean) Riley, Surrence, and O'Mahony. Tyler Thomas should win most of the meets in disc and shot."  
Providing the depth across the board in various events includes seniors Mike Fothergill (sprints/javelin/jumps), Bruce Veliz (sprints), Tom Goodwin (distance), Vincent De La Cruz (middle distance), AJ Curdo (hurdles), Coleman Kelly (shot put), Chris Medeiros (throws) and Shawn Estrela (discus); juniors Joe Lydon, Alex Boehm and Nolan Kennedy (distance), Jake Danieli (middle-distance), Matt Chisholm and Richie Stuart (sprints), Andy Lee (pole vault), Jake Arsenaault (javelin) and Dean Nally (discus);  
Sophomores Aiden McGarth (sprints/jumps), Samuel Juergens (hurdles/jumps), as well as newcomers to the team including seniors Ankur Neogi and Andrew Days, sophomores Chris Wong and Nehemiah Camara as well as freshmen Jeandre Abel, Joe Demoura and William Stuart.

## Damon will be certainly be missed

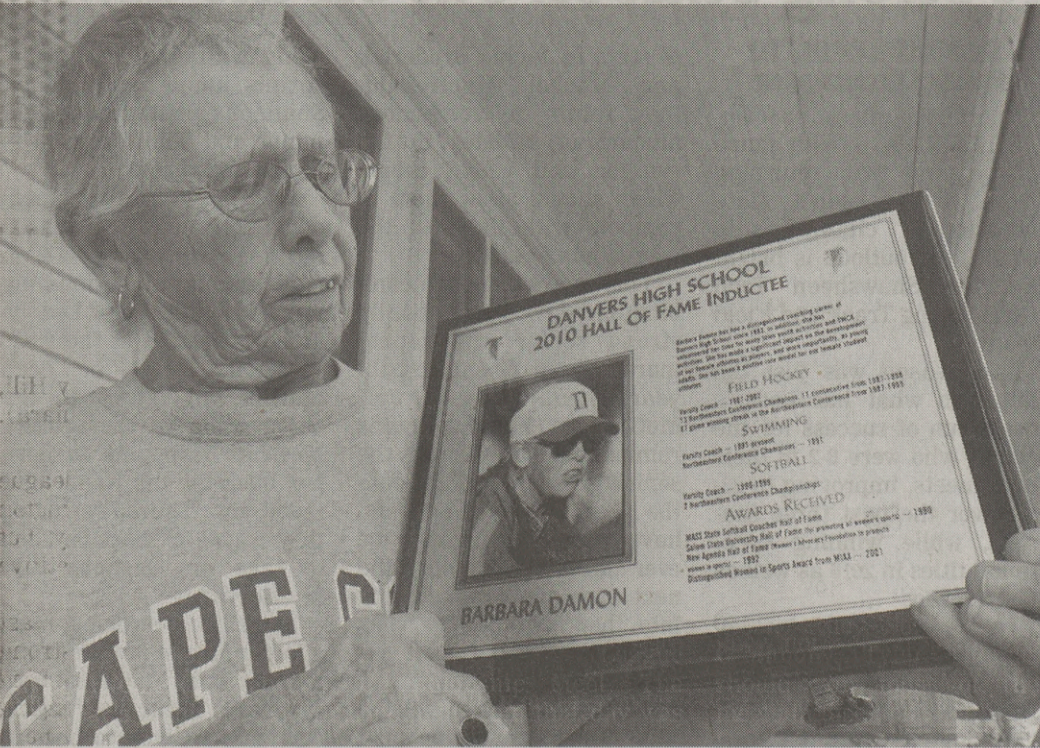
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Working for the Wilmington and Tewksbury Town Crier, I take a great deal of pride trying as much as I can to fill these pages up with as much original news, content and pictures of people who participate in sporting events no matter if they are male, female and no matter the age/level or sport.  
Sometimes I journey outside the box and write about people who are still doing great things in sports, even if they have since moved out from one of the two towns. Sometimes, not often, I really go outside the box and write about someone or something that really doesn't pertain to either town and I do it because I think it's interesting story or col-

umn that I think or hope you would like to read or sometimes I selfishly do it because it's important to me or it's on a personal level.  
Sometimes I think those kinds of columns really hit home where sometimes I think some of those columns should hit nothing but the bottom of your trash can.  
However, in this case, I'm hoping this outside the box column hits home, especially for those people who were fortunate enough to know Barbara Damon, a wonderful person, legendary coach and pioneer of female sports in Massachusetts who passed away on Thursday.  
For those of you knew Barbara, you know that the words in this column will never justify what she did for female sports and for so many people through many decades of coaching swim-

ming, field hockey and softball mostly at Danvers High School but also through a number of YMCA programs dating back to 1964.  
Besides her coaching duties, including being inducted into many different Hall of Fames, she was also the MIAA - Tournament Director for softball for 17 years and field hockey for 20.  
For those of you who didn't know her, you missed out as she was as wonderful and caring as they come.  
I first met Barbara in the summer of 1996. I was a reporter here, but at the same time I was playing in the Adult Softball League in Wilmington. That season, Jack Cushing the League's Commissioner, decided to change the infield and go from dirt to clay. During a

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Longtime Coach and MIAA Tournament Director Barbara Damon, a pioneer and legendary coach for female sports in the state, passed away this past Thursday. (courtesy photo/Salem News).

## WHS Spring Varsity Sports Schedules

### VARSITY BASEBALL

Day	Date	Opponent	Time
Thurs	Apr 11	at Woburn	4:00 pm
Mon	Apr 15	at Shawsheen	3:00 pm
Wed	Apr 17	vs Belmont	3:00 pm
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Thurs	Apr 25	vs Burlington	4:00 pm
Mon	Apr 29	vs Wakefield	4:00 pm
Wed	May 1	at Stoneham	4:00 pm
Thurs	May 2	at Watertown	7:00 pm
Mon	May 6	vs Winchester	4:00 pm
Wed	May 8	at Arlington	4:00 pm
Fri	May 10	vs Lexington	4:00 pm
Mon	May 13	vs Melrose	4:00 pm
Wed	May 15	at Burlington	4:00 pm
Thurs	May 16	at Wakefield	4:00 pm
Mon	May 20	vs Shawsheen	4:00 pm
Tues	May 21	vs Stoneham	4:00 pm
Fri	May 24	vs Watertown	4:00 pm
Sat	May 25	Memorial Day Tour	10:00 am
Sun	May 26	Memorial Day Tour	TBA

### VARSITY SOFTBALL

Day	Date	Opponent	Time
Thurs	Apr 11	at Woburn	4:00 pm
Mon	Apr 15	vs Melrose	10:00 am
Wed	Apr 17	vs Belmont	10:00 am
Thurs	Apr 18	at Reading	4:00 pm
Mon	Apr 22	at Newburyport	4:00 pm
Tues	Apr 23	at Melrose	4:00 pm
Thurs	Apr 25	vs Burlington	4:00 pm
Mon	Apr 29	vs Wakefield	4:00 pm
Wed	May 1	at Stoneham	4:00 pm
Mon	May 6	at Winchester	4:00 pm
Wed	May 8	at Arlington	4:00 pm
Fri	May 10	vs Lexington	6:00 pm
Sun	May 12	vs Whittier Tech	11:00 am
Mon	May 13	vs Melrose	6:00 pm
Wed	May 15	at Burlington	4:00 pm
Thurs	May 16	at Wakefield	4:00 pm
Mon	May 20	at Gr. Lowell	4:00 pm
Tues	May 21	vs Stoneham	6:00 pm
Fri	May 24	at Lowell Catholic	3:45 pm
Fri	May 31	vs Gr. Lowell	TBA

### VARSITY GIRLS LACROSSE

Day	Date	Opponent	Time
Tues	Apr 9	vs Woburn	4:00 pm
Thurs	Apr 11	at Belmont	4:30 pm
Sat	Apr 13	at Arlington Catholic	12:30 pm
Thurs	Apr 18	vs Triton	10:00 am
Fri	Apr 19	vs Danvers	10:00 am
Tues	Apr 23	vs Reading	4:00 pm
Wed	Apr 24	at Ursuline Academy	4:00 pm
Thurs	Apr 26	vs Melrose	4:00 pm
Tues	Apr 30	at Burlington	4:00 pm
Thurs	May 2	at Winchester	4:15 pm
Tues	May 7	vs Arlington	4:00 pm
Fri	May 10	at Lexington	4:00 pm
Tues	May 14	at Wakefield	4:00 pm
Fri	May 17	vs Stoneham	4:00 pm
Mon	May 20	at Triton	5:30 pm
Tues	May 21	vs Watertown	4:15 pm

### VARSITY BOYS LACROSSE

Day	Date	Opponent	Time
Tues	Apr 9	at Woburn	4:15 pm
Thurs	Apr 11	vs Belmont	4:15 pm
Sat	Apr 13	at Arlington Catholic	10:30 am
Thurs	Apr 18	vs Triton	12:00 pm
Tues	Apr 23	at Reading	4:15 pm
Thurs	Apr 25	at Melrose	4:15 pm
Tues	Apr 30	vs Burlington	4:15 pm
Thurs	May 2	vs Winchester	4:15 pm
Tues	May 7	at Arlington	4:15 pm
Fri	May 10	vs Lexington	4:15 pm
Tues	May 14	vs Wakefield	4:15 pm
Fri	May 17	at Stoneham	4:15 pm
Mon	May 20	at Triton	4:30 pm
Tues	May 21	at Watertown	4:00 pm
Thurs	May 23	at Lowell	7:00 pm
Tues	May 28	at Tewksbury	3:45 pm

### BOYS/GIRLS TRACK-AND-FIELD

Day	Date	Opponent	Time
Wed	Apr 3	at Melrose	4:00 pm
Wed	Apr 10	vs Burlington	4:00 pm
Wed	Apr 24	vs Wakefield	4:00 pm
Sat	Apr 27	at State Relays	TBA
Wed	May 1	at Stoneham	4:00 pm
Sat	May 4	at Weston Twilight	4:00 pm
Wed	May 8	at Watertown	4:30 pm
Fri/Sat	May 10-11	at Andover Boosters	5/9:30 am
Sun	May 26	at D3 State Meet	TBA

### VARSITY GIRLS TENNIS

Day	Date	Opponent	Time
Wed	Apr 3	vs Woburn	4:00 pm
Thurs	Apr 4	at Belmont	4:00 pm
Tues	Apr 9	vs Reading	4:00 pm
Thurs	Apr 11	vs Melrose	4:00 pm
Tues	Apr 23	at Burlington	4:00 pm
Thurs	Apr 25	at Wakefield	4:00 pm
Mon	Apr 29	vs Stoneham	4:00 pm
Wed	May 1	vs Watertown	4:00 pm
Thurs	May 2	at Winchester	4:00 pm
Tues	May 7	vs Arlington	4:00 pm
Thurs	May 9	at Lexington	4:00 pm
Mon	May 13	at Melrose	4:00 pm
Wed	May 15	vs Burlington	4:00 pm
Mon	May 20	vs Wakefield	4:00 pm
Tues	May 21	at Stoneham	4:00 pm
Thurs	May 23	at Watertown	4:00 pm

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Wed	Apr 3	at Woburn	3:30 pm
Thurs	Apr 4	vs Belmont	4:00 pm
Tues	Apr 9	at Reading	4:00 pm
Thurs	Apr 11	at Melrose	4:00 pm
Tues	Apr 23	vs Burlington	4:00 pm
Thurs	Apr 25	vs Wakefield	4:00 pm
Mon	Apr 29	at Stoneham	4:00 pm
Wed	May 1	at Watertown	4:00 pm
Thurs	May 2	vs Winchester	4:00 pm
Mon	May 6	at Billerica	3:30 pm
Tues	May 7	at Arlington	4:00 pm
Thurs	May 9	vs Lexington	4:00 pm
Mon	May 13	vs Melrose	4:00 pm
Wed	May 15	at Burlington	4:00 pm
Mon	May 20	at Wakefield	4:00 pm
Tues	May 21	vs Stoneham	4:00 pm
Thurs	May 23	vs Watertown	4:00 pm





The local players on this year's Shawsheen Tech Softball team includes: front row from left, Ashlyn Bisso of Tewksbury and Jess Stevens of Wilmington; Back row from left, Sandra Watne of Wilmington, Kayla Mirisola, Mirissa Bragiforte and Becca Smith of Tewksbury and coach Scott Ialuna. (photo by Jim Vainkoras).

## Shawsheen Tech Baseball preview

# New faces around the diamond

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**BILLERICA** — There will be plenty of new faces for the Shawsheen Tech Baseball team this season.

The Rams will attempt to keep their streak of seven consecutive state tournament berths alive, a streak that continued last season when the Rams fought their way to a 10-10 regular season record before losing a tough 2-1 decision to No. 2 seed and CAC rival Whittier Tech in the first round of the Division 2 North Tournament.

One streak was broken last year, however, as the Rams saw their streak of three consecutive years of winning at least a share of the CAC title come to an end. The Rams will enter this season having lost 11 seniors off of that gritty squad who pulled out a clutch win over Arlington Catholic in their regular season finale to secure their playoff berth.

Among the players the Rams had to say goodbye to were star pitchers Anthony Medeiros of Tewksbury and Sean Flagg, along with slugers Nick Nardella, James Alagna and Chris Galinos.

Shawsheen coach Brian McCarthy has seen a lot during his six years as head coach, leading the Rams to a tournament berth each season, but losing that many players is new territory even for him.

"Eleven players is tough to comprehend sometimes. We've never had a turnover of that size here at Shawsheen Baseball. That is a lot of guys, with a lot of experience," McCarthy said. "Losing pitchers like Flagg and Medeiros, and bats like Alagna, Galinos, and Nardella is tough to do. But you do the only thing you can do, and move on with

the new guys you've got, and get them ready to play.

"Our team this year is young for sure, but they are a hungry group who is willing to put in the hard work to get ready. It's been a productive early spring already this year."

With so many losses, the Rams will be relying heavily on their only two returning starters, junior outfielder Connor Rich of Billerica and senior pitcher and shortstop C.J. Zemetres of Tewksbury. Zemetres was an absolute stud down the stretch last season for the Rams, pitching them to the 3-2 season finale win over Arlington Catholic. He followed that up by then pitching brilliantly in the 2-1 loss to Whittier in the tournament, striking out five batters in six innings of work, while Rich drove in the Rams only run in the Whittier game.

"It's always nice to have at least a few starters or guys with some experience back. And to have two guys like Connor and C.J. coming back is a nice feeling as a coach," McCarthy said. "Those two were big time players for us last year. C.J. was a work-horse on the mound, pitching great in a number of big games for us."

"And Connor swung a great stick for us all year long as he played a little bit of every position. This year, he should anchor down center-field for us, while C.J. pitches and plays some shortstop. We'll be relying on them a bunch early on to carry the load and lead the young squad out of the gate."

With senior first baseman Russ Cook and senior pitcher Zach Dancewicz of Wilmington returning to the team after seeing some playing time last season, and junior newcomers D.J. Williams John Wermcke also ready to contribute, the

Rams will once again aiming to qualify for the state tournament.

"Those goals are constant goals for our program here over the course of each year. Qualify for the post-season tourney, win the league, qualify for the vocational tourney," McCarthy said.

"Those are the long-term goals, but especially with a young team, we really want to focus on the short-term goals this year. Get better every day at practice, and take the games one at a time. If we do that, things will pan out in the long run."

The CAC will not do the Rams any favors this season, as the league will once again provide a stiff challenge every time they take the field, led by Greater Lowell and defending CAC champion Whittier.

"They should both be strong as usual. Greater Lowell has most of their team returning this year, as they were mostly juniors last year," McCarthy said. "Both of those programs are well coached and always in position to challenge for the league title. The CAC Large has always been a very competitive league, lots of good baseball week-in and week-out."

Nobody knows exactly what the results will be this season for the Rams, but one thing McCarthy knows for sure is that he will get a maximum effort each time his team hits the field.

"Being young, they are hungry and willing to work hard," McCarthy said. "They have come in ready to go. Our first week of practice and scrimmages has gone well so far, so their work ethic is definitely the team strength."

The Rams will open their season next Monday when they host Nashoba Tech on the turf field at 4:00 pm.

# Rams pushing to be competitive within the CAC League Circle

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**BILLERICA** — The Shawsheen Tech Softball team will enter this season having lost eight players off of last year's squad, which went 12-7, earning second place finish in the CAC Large as well as a state tournament berth for the second consecutive season, before being eliminated in the first round by eventual sectional finalist Amesbury.

In addition to winning some big games last season, the Rams also showed a flare for the dramatic, winning several games in thrilling fashion. One of the more memorable wins came on a two-out, three-run rally in the bottom of the seventh inning to beat Bedford 10-9.

A second one was highlighted by a three-run sixth inning rally to beat Mystic Valley 5-3. The Rams also defeated Bishop Fenwick for the first time since 2013.

But that, as the saying goes, was then and this is now. The Rams must head into this season minus the services of several key players, including tri-captains Brooke Arena, Katelyn Logue and Alysha Cushing as well as fellow senior Carlee Wickwire. Wickwire and Arena (7-2 record) were part of a strong pitching rotation for the Rams.

Despite the heavy losses, fourth-year head coach Scott Ialuna, is confident that his team can have another successful season.

A big reason for his optimism is this year's co-captains, seniors Becca Smith of Tewksbury and Bella Richard.

"Even though we lost eight seniors from last year's team, I am excited for the season to start. Brooke, Katelyn and Alysha's leadership and production will be hard to replace from last year," Ialuna said, while pointing out that Arena batted .500, Logue batted .452 and drove in 26 runs and Cushing batted .392. "But I

can't think of two better people to step into the leadership role, than Becca Smith and Bella Richard with over seven years of varsity experience between them."

Smith, in fact, was one of three CAC All-Stars last season, along with Arena and Logue, batting .493 with a .610 on base percentage, to go along with 14 steals.

"Becca led the offense last year in almost every category, and Bella has been rock solid at first base, having committed only four errors in three years," Ialuna said.

With the loss of two of their pitchers, the Rams will need somebody to step up and fill a very big void. Ialuna is confident that senior Marissa Brangiforte of Tewksbury is ready for the challenge. She brings back a real amount of varsity experience pitching for the Rams in each of the past three seasons.

"Marissa takes over the reigns as the ace of the staff. She only had one walk in a last year in five starts with an ERA under 4.00," Ialuna said. "She is a three-year starter at pitcher, who moves into the leadership role on the staff. She led the team in strikeouts per inning last season."

While they lose some big production from last year's lineup, the Rams do return several players to the lineup as well. Those hitters will include juniors Jess Stevens of Wilmington in right field, Taylor Sacco in left field and Grace Clark at catcher and she also may see time at first base.

Sevens has shown herself to be a very valuable member of the Rams over the past two seasons, and Ialuna is looking for more of the same this seasons.

"Jess is a class act and two-year starter in right field," Ialuna said. "She is a member of the National Honor Society. She has incredible drive, and works hard to improve every day." The Rams will also be counting on several new-

comers to fill some big roles for them this season. Junior transfer student Ashlyn Bisso of Tewksbury, seems to be a lock at second base, freshman Kayla Mirisola of Tewksbury will be at pitcher and left field, and freshman Sandra Watne of Wilmington will also see time in the circle and as an infielder.

"Ashlyn transferred in from Innovation Academy. She had a very strong tryout and I have been impressed with what I have seen to this point. She has a good chance to fill in one of the holes in the infield," Ialuna said. "Kayla is very versatile. She has been working in the outfield as well as the infield, while she also pitches. She has a strong work ethic."

"Sandra had a fantastic tryout. She can play anywhere, but has been working mostly in the infield, and pitcher. I am expecting good things from her."

The Rams will need everyone to be at their best if they are going to compete in a very strong Commonwealth Athletic Conference this season, as well as in their non-league matchups. That starts Monday when they host non-league rival Bedford.

"I think the league is up this year. Whittier has been top dog for the last four or five years, so until someone can knock them off, they are the team to beat. They have the returning MVP who pitches really well and throws incredibly hard," Ialuna said. "We always battle Essex Tech, and I wouldn't expect that to change. Greater Lowell also has a lot returning."

"Northeast came on strong at the end of the year to win the middle of the C.A.C., but Greater Lawrence and Mystic Valley have a lot returning and should also be improved."

"We just need to worry about us, and take one game at a time, focus on the opponent at hand, and not overlook anyone."



Wilmington residents on this year's Shawsheen Girls Outdoor Track-and-Field team includes from left, Ava Barresi, Madison McCarthy and Akaila Voke. (courtesy photo).

# A strong outlook out on the Track

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**BILLERICA** — With much of the same team returning from last season's state vocational championship squad, the outlook is bright for the Shawsheen Tech Girls Spring Track and Field team.

Last season was just the latest in what has been a great run of success for the Rams, who were 8-2 in their dual meets, improving to 23-6-1 over the past three seasons, while winning vocational titles in 2016 as well as last season.

The Rams will be looking to make another run at the vocational title this season, while they will also look to challenge for the Commonwealth Athletic Conference title.

While the Rams lost a pair

of stars in Jackie Broderick and Rachel MacDonald, they return a tremendous amount of athletes in the running and field events which should allow them to compete with the best the league has to offer.

"This year's team is a combination of two exceptionally strong senior and sophomore classes," said sixth-year head coach Jeff McGrath. "The sophomores remind me so much of the senior group who burst onto the scene as freshmen and have been scoring for us ever since. It's as though the next wave of stars is coming into their own at the very same time that our most veteran group is peaking."

The veteran group will be led by the Rams senior quad captains Ivana Wisky of Tewksbury, who will compete in distance events,

along with Alex DiPerri in sprints/jumps and relays, Shannon Fitzgerald in jumps and Sam Moriconi in jumps and throws.

Wisky — who had a tremendous cross country season for the Rams, going 7-2 in dual meets and finishing second in the CAC League Meet, and third at the state vocational meet — has been battling an injury in the early going of the season. McGrath is hoping to have her back for the Rams first meet on Thursday when they travel to Nashoba Tech to take on Nashoba and Mystic Valley.

"Ivana is recovering from a foot injury, so we are being a little extra cautious with her," said McGrath. "She is currently wearing a boot in practice, but she will take it if

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The local players on this year's Shawsheen Tech Baseball team includes from left, Rhen Trinitade and DJ Williams of Tewksbury, Zach Dancewicz of Wilmington and CJ Zemetres and Nathan Silva of Tewksbury. (photo by Jim Vainkoras).



## Boys Lacrosse Preview

## Rams carrying a lot of offensive firepower

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**BILLERICA** -- Shawsheen Tech Boys Lacrosse coach Chuck Baker finds himself in a unique situation as his team begins pursuit of their fourth straight CAC title this season.

Not only are the Rams entering the season following on the heels of a tremendous campaign last year when they went 17-4 overall, and captured their third straight CAC title with an 11-1 record in the league, they will also enter the season with virtually their entire team returning from that dominant squad.

The Rams do lose two key players off of last year's squad to graduation, as they were forced to say goodbye to 57 goal scorer Will Bouley, as well as veteran goalie Chris Abele of Tewksbury, along talented defender Mark Companschi of Wilmington, but they bring back the vast majority of their top players from last year's team.

Baker is quick to remind both Shawsheen fans and players, however, that there is still no guarantee of success this season. The team's goals remain the

same every year -- win both another CAC title and vocational title, while also having success in the state tournament. Baker realizes that his experienced team can't take anything for granted.

"I hope to be in that position but one game at a time. Northeast always gives us fits and Essex will be tough," Baker said of the competition in the CAC. "We should be a very strong offensive team. As a team we have to continue to improve on our team defense and stay motivated to improve every day we hit the field."

While Baker is indeed right that nothing is guaranteed, there is plenty of reason for optimism. That starts with the return of last year's leading scorer, senior attack Owen Sullivan who had 64 goals and 10 assists for 74 points, as well as junior attack Kevin Kemp, who had 35 goals and 28 assists for 63 points on the season.

Juniors Conor Rooney (31 goals) and Dave Fraser (21 goals), both of Wilmington, also are strong offensive players, combining for 52 goals.

"We should be strong on the offensive side of the field," Baker said. "We have



The Wilmington residents on this year's Shawsheen Tech Boys Lacrosse team includes front row from left, Jacob Martins, Aydan Churchill and JJ Thibert; back row from left, Conor Rooney, Dylan Timmons, Nick Farrell, Tommy King, Matt Wright and Dave Fraser.

a lot of work to do but myself and my staff are very happy so far."

Other key returning local players for the Rams include junior midfielder Nick Farrell of Wilmington, along with Tewksbury residents Kam Neault, a junior defender, sophomore midfielder Dan Lee, junior long stick middle Brady McFadden, junior midfielder Nick Farrell and sopho-

more midfielder Dan Lee.

They will also have several new local players who should make an immediate impact, led by freshman midfielders Dylan Timmons and Jacob Martins of Wilmington, along with senior faceoff specialist Tommy King of Wilmington.

Probably the most painful loss from last year's squad will be Abele, who was a three-year starter for the

Rams, and started all by one game last season with a .695 save percentage.

The Rams do appear to be in good hands, however, with sophomore Jonah Varallo stepping into the fray. Varallo got a win last year in his only start, a 15-5 win over Mystic Valley, made nine saves. Overall he saw 120 minutes of action with a .575 save percentage.

"Jonah is doing a great job

so far and improves each day," Baker said.

The Rams opened their season on Tuesday with a game against non-league rival Bedford, with the results not available as of press time, and they will be back in action on Thursday when they travel to non-league rival Belmont.

## Three-time League Champs remain hungry

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**BILLERICA** -- When the Shawsheen Tech Girls Lacrosse team kicks off their season on Monday against Mystic Valley, they will be looking to continue a tremendous run of excellence under the direction of head coach Alex O'Reilly. The Wilmington resident has led the Rams to the CAC championship in each of her first three years with the team.

Last season's team may have been the best in their most recent run of dominance. The Rams went undefeated (10-0) in the CAC on their way to a 15-8 overall record, while also winning the state vocational championship with a 10-8 win over Old Colony.

It will be no easy task for Shawsheen, who lost several key players to graduation, including 50-goal scorer Alesha Talbot and top defender Sarah Constantino, each of Tewksbury, among several others. Despite those losses, O'Reilly has liked what she has seen from her new group of players as well as many of the team's returning key contributors.

"When each season ends it's hard to look past the talent and personalities that you are losing. We had a large group of players graduate last year who had strong character and strong talent," O'Reilly said. "The first day out on the field this year it was clear that we were missing a foundational chunk of our program, but as soon as the returning players got to work the entire mindset shifted."

"The beginning of the season changes your outlook as

a coach and it's no longer about who you lost but who you have coming back."

And while it will not be easy, O'Reilly's goals for her team have not changed at all, as she is looking forward to another very successful season.

"I saw a lot of strong talent during try outs last week and spent the whole week meeting with my coaching staff trying to make some tough decisions regarding team placements," O'Reilly said. "I can confidently say that we have many talented players returning to varsity, and many new talented players stepping up from JV or joining the squad. I'm excited to see how they all start working together and I feel confident that once we get into a cohesive way of playing this season we will be a strong contender for the league title again."

A big part of the reason for O'Reilly's confidence is her senior tri-captains, including goalie Julia Ryan of Tewksbury, along with attacks Megan Brown and Maddie Rumley. The trio will be especially important this season with a relatively inexperienced roster.

"I am counting on them a lot this year to really step up and help set the tone for our team," O'Reilly said. "There is a lot of young talent joining us this year which has been incredibly exciting. With the young talent though, comes hesitation typical of younger players. Maddie, Megan and Julia are the perfect bunch to rise up to the challenge and show our younger girls the ropes. The three senior captains have done an incredible job already of setting an example, talking to and support-

ing their teammates, and building confidence in those around them."

Brown was the team's leading scorer last season, so she will obviously be relied on heavily, Ryan will of course also play a huge role in net after sharing the duties last year with Jess Sheppard, who has graduated.

"Julia is the core of our defensive play - she is strong, loud, aggressive, and brings a lot of grit. The girls look up to her and turn to her for leadership and pointers during practices and games," O'Reilly said. "Julia fell naturally into a leadership role this season. She has seen all of our defensive sets over the past few seasons so with the influx of new players, it will be nice to have her on the field again helping and communicating during the plays."

And while the Rams did lose some key players to graduation, they also return a strong core to this year's squad, including senior attacks Kara Ippolito and Hailey Winn, senior midfielder Brooke Johnson and senior defender Christa Davis of Tewksbury, along with Celina Barczak and sophomore Amanda Howell, both of Wilmington.

Davis and Howell formed quite the impressive defensive duo last season for the Rams. Davis will be at full strength at the start of the season, while Howell will be sidelined with an injury at the outset.

"Christa has been a part of our program for the past four years and it is incredible to see the growth she has made as both an individual, and a player on our team."



The Wilmington residents on this year's Shawsheen Tech Girls Lacrosse team includes from left, Teagan McDonald, Celina Barczak and Julia Ryan, with Head Coach Alex O'Reilly, and then Amanda Howell and Grace Steed.

She plays low in our defense so she is a huge help to Julia when an opponent gets up close and personal," O'Reilly said. "Unfortunately Amanda sustained an injury during this previous soccer season that will hold her out for the majority of lacrosse this year, but I am eager to hopefully see her get back out on the field towards the end of this season, and back full strength by next year. In the meantime she will be supporting her team with me on the sideline and contributing where she is able to during practice. She is an incredibly supportive and encouraging teammate."

O'Reilly is also looking for big things from Barczak this season, while Teagan MacDonald of Wilmington will try to fill the void left by Howell on defense.

"Celina Barczak will

absolutely be a player to watch," said O'Reilly. "Celina was pulled up to the varsity roster last year during playoff season. She got a few shifts on the field during the MIAA state tournament and the vocational tournament. Celina will be starting for us as a midfielder this year. She is an aggressive force during transitions, she is incredibly vocal on defense, and she has an eye for the net on offense."

Teagan McDonald is entering her second year with our program. She is a sophomore defensive player and will be starting this year alongside Christa and our other defenders. Teagan has fantastic positioning on defense. She supports her teammates when they're trying to shut down the ball carrier, and she isn't afraid to box people out for a ground ball."

Expectations as always will be high for the Rams this season, and O'Reilly wouldn't have it any other way, but she knows that the competition in the CAC will be tougher than ever.

"We're welcoming another team to the CAC girls lacrosse league - Northeast Metro Tech - so our league competition is growing deeper," O'Reilly said. "We will have to see what teams like Essex Tech, Mystic Valley, and Greater Lowell bring to the table but I feel confident that my girls are ready for the challenge."

"Personally I'm looking forward to seeing our younger players step up and take the field this year. This is the youngest team I've had since taking over the program but they are also the most prepared group of girls that I've seen during week one of a season."

## Shawsheen Boys Track team tossing out thought of a four-peat

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**BILLERICA** -- The Shawsheen Tech Boys Track-and-Field team has established a tremendous winning tradition over the past several seasons, winning three straight CAC dual meet championships as well as winning the CAC League Meet championship the past two seasons.

Last season, the Rams went 9-0 in their dual meets and pulled off a trifecta, winning both the dual meet and league meet titles, as well as winning the State Vocational Large School championship after finishing second and third respectively, the previous two years.

But if the Rams are hoping to continue their recent string of dominance this season, they will have to do so minus some key athletes off of those squads who have been lost to graduation.

While the losses will certainly be hard to overcome, sixth-year head coach Jeff McGrath is excited to see what the next crop of stars can do to help the Rams shoot for another league title.

"We graduated a tremendous class but last year our greatest strength was our depth," he said. "We certainly had outstanding top end performers, but our secondary scoring came from a group of talented and emerging underclassmen."

"It will be exciting to see

those kids who didn't really get a chance to shine because they were overshadowed by that really talented group that we had. Now they get a chance to step into their own, and prove that they are incredibly talented as well."

Three of the most talented athletes for the Rams will be their senior tri-captains Joe Bova, Ryan Smith and Jason Myers of Tewksbury.

Bova will compete in the discus, Smith in distance and Myers returns as part of the Rams school record breaking 4x400 team, which finished fourth in Eastern Mass. Division 3 and became the first relay team in the history of the program to qualify for All-

States.

McGrath is once again looking for big things from Myers, who joined Ralph fellow senior Ralph DeRosiers of Wilmington as part of that successful relay team.

"That was the first relay team we had ever taken to All-States, so that was a really big accomplishment for him to be a part of that group. He learned a lot from those seniors (Sam Chebook and Nick Sachetta) and understands the work ethic and what it took to get there," McGrath said. "I think one of the few boys returning this year that have a really strong grasp of what it takes to get to that high of a level, which is huge because it will help him instill that in the

underclassmen.

Myers already showed himself to be the consummate teammate last season with his approach to the state meet.

"He individually qualified for states in the 400, but chose not to do that because he had the opportunity to run the 4x400 and he knew that if he ran both he might not have as strong a performance," McGrath said. "So he kind of sacrificed individual accolades to pursue something for the group. I admire that."

Smith and Bova will also be outstanding in their roles as captains, according to McGrath.

"Ryan has been incredibly successful in his cross-country career and he will

anchor our two-mile group," said the coach. "He is one of those guys that we know will always get us points, whether it be first or second. He is consistently at the top of the heap. I think he lost one race last year and that was to an athlete from Chelsea who was running in the mid to low tens for two miles."

"He has the respect of his teammates from cross-country and he is very comfortable in that role. He does not shy away from those expectations."

Bova has been a bit of a late bloomer for the Rams, but he has now emerged as one of the top athletes on the team.

BOYS TRACK PG SP10W



## LEGAL NOTICE



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
LAND COURT  
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT  
19SM000273  
ORDER OF NOTICE

To:  
Daniel P. Tobin

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 § 3901 et seq.:

Ditech Financial LLC

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Wilmington, numbered 20 Veranda Avenue, given by Daniel P. Tobin to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. acting solely as nominee for MSA Mortgage, LLC, dated September 4, 2015, and recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 29398, Page 16, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before May 6, 2019 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of said Court on March 20, 2019.

Attest:  
Deborah J. Patterson  
Recorder  
18-033900  
190385 4/3/19

## LEGAL NOTICE



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
LAND COURT  
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT  
18SM006622  
ORDER OF NOTICE

TO:  
Daniel F. Babine and  
Karen M. Babine, f/k/a  
Karen L. Mendelson

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. §§ 3901 et seq.:

Charles Schwab Bank fka Charles Schwab Bank N.A.

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Wilmington, numbered 6 State Street, given by Daniel F. Babine and Karen M. Babine to Charles Schwab Bank, N.A., dated September 12, 2003, and recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 16289, Page 221, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before April 29, 2019 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of said Court on March 19, 2019.

Attest:  
Deborah J. Patterson  
Recorder  
190387 4/3/19

## LEGAL NOTICE



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
LAND COURT  
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT  
19 SM 000114  
ORDER OF NOTICE

TO:  
Michael M. Hutchinson  
And to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act: 50 U.S.C. App. § 3901 (et seq.):

Branch Banking and Trust Company

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Wilmington, numbered 32 Marcia Road, given by Michael M. Hutchinson to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Leader Bank, N.A., dated December 6, 2013, and recorded in Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 27877, Page 1, and now held by the plaintiff by assignment has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before April 29, 2019 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of said Court on March 15, 2019

Attest:  
Deborah J. Patterson  
Recorder  
190403 4/3/19



The Wilmington residents on this year's Shawsheen Tech Boys Track team includes front row from left, Zachary Morris, Andrew Gattineri, Andrew Stokes and Jeffrey Mahoney; second row from left, Gavin Pigott, Andrew Miller and Josiah Martinez; and last row, Frank Irizarry. (courtesy photo).

## Shawsheen Boys Track team tossing out thought of a four-peat

FROM PG SP9W

"As a sophomore and a junior Joe was just sort of working through the discus and trying to crack the lineup," said McGrath. "He was maybe our third or fourth best discus thrower, and then as the season progressed he started to make major strides."

"And then over the summer he knew he would have to step up with kids graduating, so he bought his own discus and he would come here over the summer and work and work. So he is a self made man, and I respect that, because it is one thing to say you want to be really good and it's something totally different to go out and prove it."

"The three of them are very good leaders and they have gotten where they are through very hard work, so it is very easy to expect that of the underclassmen around them, because they have had to earn the position they are in."

Several other athletes will also return to the Rams lineup after having very successful seasons last year.

Among those that McGrath will be counting on the most will be senior Mike Reppucci of Tewksbury in sprinting and jumping events and fellow senior Frank Irizarry of Wilmington in throwing events, along with fellow seniors Gavin Pigott in middle distance, Ralph Desrosiers in sprints and relays, and Kyle MacDonald in hurdles.

Juniors returning to this year's squad include Dan Archibald and Eliot Lyle in sprints and jumps, Matt Pustizzi in sprints, Zach Morris in throws and distance events, Vincent Lopez in distance events, Cole Privetera in hurdles, Zachary Langlois in distance events, Stephan St. Juste in jumps and sprints and Andre Comeau in throwing events.

Key returning sophomores will include Alex Smith, Cameron Loder and Damien Hadden both of Tewksbury in distance events.

The Rams will open their season this Thursday with a tri-meet at Nashoba Tech against Nashoba and Mystic Valley.

## LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to Penelope Adams of 501 Huron Ave. Apt. 1 in Cambridge, MA, who is the last registered owner of a 2014 Subaru Impreza Vin# JF1GPAC62E8292619 that this vehicle will be sold at auction on or about April 19, 2019 at A & S Towing, Inc., 222 Andover Street, Wilmington MA. The vehicle will be auctioned to recover towing and storage charges that are past due.

190364 3/27, 4/3, 10/19

## LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
BOARD OF APPEALS

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. on the following applications:

Case 6-19  
Fordham Park, LLC  
Map 91 Parcel 121

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.6.7.7 to allow greater than 15 percent impervious coverage within the Zone II area

Case 7-19  
Zachary Fahey  
Map 34 Parcel 7

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 to allow for a Nonconforming structure

190354 3/27, 4/3/19

## LEGAL NOTICE



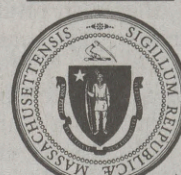
TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., in compliance with provisions of MGL Chapter 131, Section 40, and 310 CMR 10.00 on a Request for Determination of Applicability, filed by Stephen Berghaus, 32 Chestnut Street, Wilmington, MA 01887, owner and applicant. This filing is for removal of a downed tree. This work is within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands and Bank as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, MGL Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located at 32 Chestnut Street, Wilmington, MA 01887 and shown on Assessor's Map 29 Parcel 17. A copy of the application is on file at the Department of Planning & Conservation, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Laurie Finne  
Vice-Chair  
Conservation Commission  
190396 4/3/19

## LEGAL NOTICE



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
THE TRIAL COURT  
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
Cambridge, MA 02141

## DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING

Docket No.  
MI19D0804DR

Julie Trovato vs.  
Jacob Trovato Sr.

To the Defendant:

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown of the Marriage 1B.

The Complaint is on file at the Court.

An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:  
Julie Trovato  
174 Crosby Street  
Lowell, MA 01852  
your answer, if any, on or before 05/02/2019. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

WITNESS, Hon. Edward F. Donnelly, Jr., First Justice of this Court.  
Date: March 21, 2019  
Tara E. DeCristofaro,  
Register of Probate  
190411 4/3/19

## LEGAL NOTICE



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
THE TRIAL COURT  
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
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## CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No.  
MI19P0572EA

Estate of:  
Scott A. Saunders  
Also known as:  
Scott Anthony Saunders  
Date of Death:  
12/21/2018

To all interested persons:

A Petition for S/A - Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative

has been filed by Jamie D. Wiley of Wilmington MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Jamie D. Wiley of Wilmington MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/19/2019.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection

followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

## UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Edward F. Donnelly, Jr., First Justice of this Court.  
Date: March 22, 2019  
Tara E. DeCristofaro,  
Register of Probate  
190386 4/3/19

## LEGAL NOTICE



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
THE TRIAL COURT  
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
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## CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No.  
MI19P1538EA

Estate of:  
Rome Robert Miano  
Date of Death:  
01/09/2019

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative

has been filed by Ronald A. Miano of Salem MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: Ronald A. Miano of Salem MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve With Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 04/22/2019.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written

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WITNESS, Hon. Edward F. Donnelly, Jr., First Justice of this Court.  
Date: March 25, 2019  
Tara E. DeCristofaro,  
Register of Probate  
190380 4/3/19

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## Damon will certainly be missed

FROM PAGE SP7W

game, I was caught in a rundown and I turned the wrong way. I was down for the count and ended up tearing all of the ligaments and tendons in my ankle. I was on crutches for almost a year and certainly would have been better off if it had snapped instead.

Certainly the change of the infield had nothing to do with my injury. It was a freak accident and sports injuries happen all of the time.

Several weeks later, I was at Aprile Field covering a game. Barbara approached me and wanted to know if I was the 'fella who broke his ankle because they changed the infield'? I was totally thrown off by her matter-of-fact style. I told her I was the player but it had nothing to do with the infield. She wanted to know because at the time, Aprile Field played host to the North Sectional Final games.

A few years later, the sectional games ended up going to Lowell. Almost every year that the state tournament games in either softball or field hockey were held, I would run into Barbara. The first few times, I'll admit, I was pretty scared of her. But over time, mostly during my ten years working with the Boston Herald (in addition to the Crier) I got to know Barbara and quickly real-

ized that her bite was completely harmless and she had a complete heart of gold.

We would have countless number of conversations at games, talking sports, talking strategies of games, talking life and she would always make me laugh. And she really knew sports.

The last time I saw Barbara was at Leo DiRocco's last game as head softball coach at Tewksbury when they Redmen faced Danvers. I got out of my car and there she was. I went over and gave her a big hug because it had been a while. We chatted for a bit and after the game was over, I made sure that I found her again to say good-bye.

Unfortunately that was the last conversation I had with my friend of over 20 years.

Barbara's services were held on Tuesday and Wednesday and because of my commitment here to fill up these pages, I wasn't able to make the services to pay my respects.

I hope this column can do that justice. I hope this column hits the homes and the people who knew Barbara Damon and know that the world lost a great one.

RIP Barbara. Thanks for the fun times and memories. I hope to talk sports and life with you someday again.



The Wilmington Squirt 2 Youth Hockey team includes top row from left, Jonathan Cavanaugh, Thomas MacGilvray, Captain-Jake Arsenaault, Dean Ciampa, Mathew Norton, Dante Capozzi, Dylan Minasian, Danielle Chillemi, Olivia Raposa, and bottom row from left, Connor Jamieson, Devin MacDonald, Kyle Spencer, Aidan Lindquist, Nolan Harrison and Frank Cain. (courtesy photo)

## Wilmington Squirt 2's bring home Valley League title

On Saturday March 30, the Wilmington Squirt 2 team (21-6-1), won the Valley League Division Championship with a 6-1 victory over Methuen.

The team entered the 2018/19 season with eight kids who never played organized hockey before. Led by a core group of veterans, the team quickly formed a close bond and focused on teamwork, effort, and supporting each other.

In the opening Quarter-Final Playoff round against Andover, the team got off to a

quick start led by a "Snipe" from Mathew Norton followed up with a "hat trick" from Kyle Spencer.

Great heads up hockey, passing and unselfish play was once again on display with assists from Tommy MacGilvray and Captain Jake Arsenaault.

The 7-0 shutout was captured by solid goaltending from first year goalie Aidan Lindquist.

The following week, in the Semi-Final Round, Wilmington faced off against the No. 4 seed Haverhill (12-

14-1). In a nail biting back and forth game, led by two goals from Jonathan Cavanaugh, Dante Capozzi snapped a 3-3 tie with 1:20 left on the clock with a wrist shot off the faceoff.

After weathering the final Storm Surge from the Haverhill Thunder, and key saves from Lindquist, Devin MacDonald sealed the win with a 175' foot Hail Mary empty net goal to send the Wildcats to the Finals!

In the Championship Round, Wilmington's opponent was the No. 2 seed

Methuen (16-10-2). Wilmington scored first with a defensive rush and a great pass from Dylan Minasian who followed it up with a breakaway goal of his own.

Wilmington would not be denied this day, great two-way play was exhibited by Danielle Chillemi and Frank Cain, relentless back checking from Olivia Raposa, and "wall-like" defense from Nolan Harrison, Connor Jamieson and Dean Ciampa cemented their place as VHL Champions!

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MSRP: \$34,935. Kelly Savings: \$6,945. Vin: 1N4AA6AP7C409368.

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Dual Climate Control, Bluetooth, Keyless Entry Alarm, Backup Camera and more!



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**\$15,698**

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**\$16,798**

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**\$16,842**

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Rear camera, bluetooth. Stock #3272



**\$17,888**

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**\$18,030**

### 2016 Nissan Rogue SV

Nav, 3rd row seat, heated seats. Stock #3270



**\$18,443**

### 2016 Nissan Rogue SL AWD

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**\$18,516**

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**\$18,988**

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**\$24,988**

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